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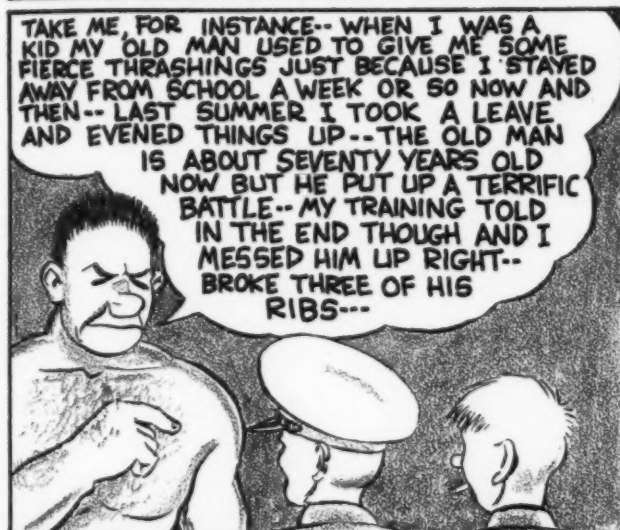
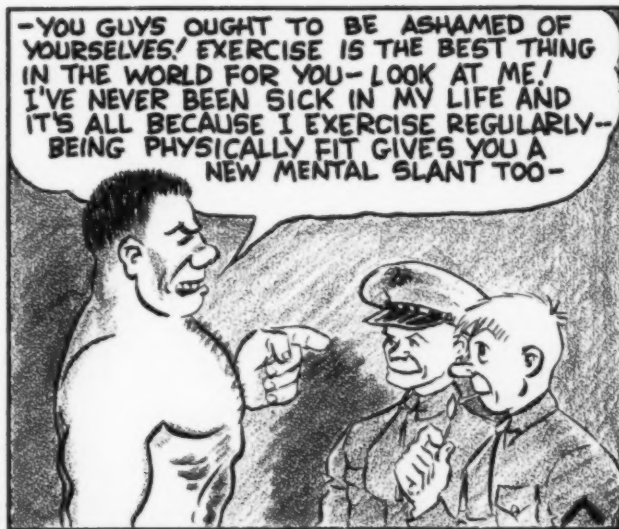
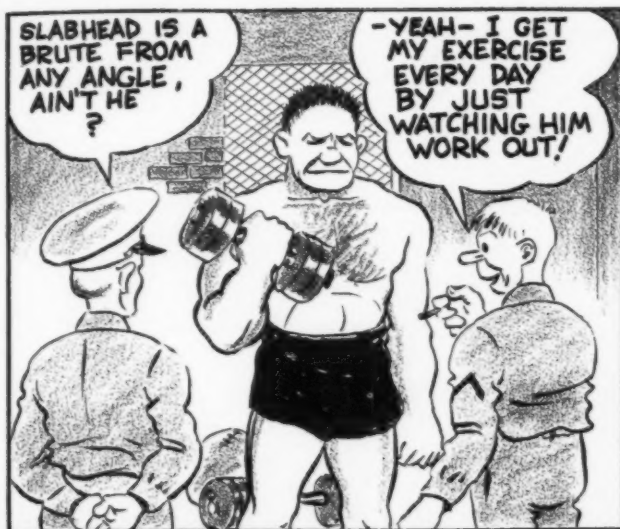
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THE LEATHERNECK is honored to announce that the position of Editor and Publisher of the magazine, left vacant by the transfer of First Lieutenant Joseph O. Butcher, has been taken by Major Harold E. Rosecrans, USMC, the Executive Officer of the Post. Major Rosecrans brings to THE LEATHERNECK a wealth of experience gained in a brilliant career in the Corps, and THE LEATHERNECK will benefit greatly by his sage counsel and guidance.

THANK YOU

THIS edition, the Quantico issue of THE LEATHERNECK, would hardly be possible without the wholehearted co-operation and support of the officers and men of the Quantico post. We are deeply grateful for the aid given the members of our staff by Major General Louis McCarty Little, the Commanding General of the post. The courtesy, aid, and encouragement tendered these men was of the finest.

THE LEATHERNECK is also indebted to Major General Holland M. Smith, the Commanding General, the 1st Division; Colonel L. C. Shepherd, the Commandant, Marine Corps Schools; Lt. Col. H. D. Campbell, Headquarters and Service Squadron 1, FMAG; Lt. Colonel C. H. Metcalf, OIC, the Marine Corps Museum; Major F. I. Fenton, OIC, Reproduction Section; Major W. P. Kelly, the Post Adjutant; Major J. E. Kerr, Plans and Training Officer, ROC; Captain K. K. Louthier, the Adjutant-Secretary, Marine Corps Schools; Captain H. W. Buse, Jr., 1st Scout Division; Captain Pollock and Captain T. G. Ennis, Headquarters and Service Squadron 1, FMAG; Lieutenant Harris, Post Recreation Officer; Chief MarGunner T. Quigley, Ass. OIC, the Reproduction Section; Sergeant Major William Pince, Post Sergeant Major; Sergeant Major S. M. Banta, Sergeant Major, Headquarters Company, 1st Division; Master Technical Sergeant C. E. Anderson, and Technical Sergeant J. W. Frick and the members of the Reproduction Section; Master Technical Sergeant H. H. Dogan, Headquarters and Service Squadron 1, FMAG; Master Technical Sergeant D. C. Barnum, Photographic Section, MCS, and Pfc. Raymond White, Post Recreation Office, for their help in putting together this issue on Quantico. Without that help, this and future editions would not be a complete success.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

THE Fourth of July. It brings many memories to us, most of them when we wore short trousers and had to scrub knees every night before supper. Without any trouble we can remember the biggest firecracker we set off, the little ones we dared hold in our fingers, and the giant

OUR COVER . . .

This month shows a light tank and infantryman on maneuvers. We are indebted to the United States Army Signal Corps for this extremely fine photo, which so aptly shows the intensive preparations our fighting forces, the Marine Corps, Army, and the Navy, are undergoing during the period of the National Emergency.

sky rockets, which, after waiting hours for darkness, did nothing but splutter.

We can remember all these things as if they happened yesterday, because at the time, that is all the Fourth of July meant to us. A grand orgy that delighted our childish hearts. We never realized that the Fourth, "Our best day next to Christmas," was an institution with Americans, founded in 1776.

The colonies did not want to break completely from the mother country, Great Britain, they merely wanted representation and fair play. The continued stubbornness of the King and the arrival of 16,000 veteran English troops completely changed the ideas of the colonies and on July 4th, 1776, the Declaration of Independence was presented to the Continental Congress by Thomas Jefferson, its author. It stated among other things the principles which Americans ever since have held to be sacred: "All men are created equal and are endowed with the right of life and liberty, and that the governments derive their powers from the consent of the governed."

These are the rights and principles to which the American people have held and cherished since that fateful year, and to which the members of the Marine Corps are always "Semper Fidelis."

THE CONTRIBUTOR'S PAGE

DEEMING the Contributor's Page yours, and planning to continue it every month, as a regular feature, THE LEATHERNECK is now prepared, all other inducements failing, to offer cash awards for the three best cartoons each month. These cartoons are to be used only for the Contributor's Page, and must be done completely in ink.

Cartoon must be in the hands of the Editor-Publisher, THE LEATHERNECK magazine, not later than the fifth day of the month preceding publication, and must be accompanied by the name, rank, organization and station of the artist. First prize in the contest will be awarded three dollars, second prize, two dollars, and third prize, one dollar. All cartoons become the property of THE LEATHERNECK, and the decision of the judges will be final.

All cartoons should pertain to Marine Corps activities and should resemble in idea and construction cartoons that have appeared on the Contributor's Pages in past editions of THE LEATHERNECK. This contest is not open to members of THE LEATHERNECK Staff.

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The Editor, THE LEATHERNECK,
Washington, D. C.
Dear Sir:

When I enlisted in the Marine Corps on the 24th day of July, 1940, I had just one thought in mind, and that was that I wanted to be in the Marine Air Corps, but unfortunately I was stationed in the Fleet Marine Force. Is there any possible way that I might get into the air corps now or am I just out of luck during the rest of my enlistment? As it is now I will not have a trade of any kind at the end of my enlistment and therefore will not be able to secure a job in aviation. I will do anything just for a chance in some part of the air corps and will more than appreciate any information you might give me.

Yours truly,
PVT. HOWARD P. HOPKINS.

Dear Hopkins:

In reply to your recent letter we are advised by the Aviation Branch as follows:

"Enlisted men desiring duty with an aviation unit of the Corps may submit a request for such duty, through the usual channels, to the Major General Commandant. If vacancies exist, and their records are clear, the request is usually granted. Such transfers are made in the grade of private or private first class; non-commissioned officers must agree to a reduction in rank to private first class. In any event, no promise is made that any man will be given any specific training or duty within aviation.

A small number of enlisted men attached to aviation organizations are given flight training leading to the designation of Naval Aviation Pilot. These men are selected by their immediate commanding officers. The men so selected must meet the following qualifications:

- "Pass the required physical examination.
- "Be not over 28 years of age at completion of course; i.e., not over 27 at start.
- "Have good records.
- "Be able to send and receive ten (10) words mixed radio code per minute.
- "Have a high school education, if practicable."

Yours very truly,
THE LEATHERNECK.

The Editor, THE LEATHERNECK,
Washington, D. C.
Dear Sir:

Enclosed is money order for two dollars and a half (\$2.50); please send me THE LEATHERNECK for another year. Please include February issue. Back in January I mailed two and a half (\$2.50) in one of your business envelopes, but guess you never received it as I never got the magazine. This time I am mailing money order.

Also would like to know if you have the bound copy of THE LEATHERNECK for 1928? Thanking you very much in advance.

Yours very truly,
WALLACE WHITAKER.

Dear Mr. Whitaker:

We are returning your money order for \$2.50 dated February 18, since we received \$2.50 from you some time in January for a year's subscription to this magazine. We are sorry to notify you that we have no February issues left therefore your subscription began with the March issue.

We have no bound volumes of THE LEATHERNECK for 1928 for sale; as a matter of fact, we have only one copy for office use left. Should you want any bound volumes for 1934 on we would be very happy to oblige you. The price is \$2.50 for each. Hoping that this matter has been adjusted to your satisfaction, we are,

Very truly yours,
THE LEATHERNECK.

The Editor, THE LEATHERNECK,
Dear Sir:

I am an ex-Marine and have lost my discharge.

I enlisted in the Marines at Parris Island, November 18, 1929. I am an employee of Northrop Aircraft Corp., and they request to see my discharge.

I shall appreciate any information that you might give me of how I may acquire a duplicate of my discharge. Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Yours very truly,
BENJAMIN C. POTTER.

Dear Potter:

In reply to your letter of October 11, 1941, concerning your lost discharge papers. Enclosed you will find an application for same. Fill this out as soon as possible and forward it direct to Marine Corps Headquarters, Washington, D. C.

We feel sure that they will take care of it for you as soon as possible.

Trusting that this is most satisfactory to you, we remain,

Very truly yours,
THE LEATHERNECK.

The Editor, THE LEATHERNECK,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Far be it from me to embarrass you but my son, age 8, discovered on the page of your booklet, "Marines' Hymn"—"To the Shores of Tripoli" that the flag shown has fifteen stripes: eight red and seven white stripes. Don't you think you should have it corrected before some more school boys land on your neck?

Yours truly,
G. W. CORCORAN,
Quantico, Va.

Dear Mr. Corcoran:

In reference to your letter of May 22, 1941, we wish to inform you that the flag shown on the "To the Shores of Tripoli" page of the illustrated Marines' Hymn is absolutely correct. Please refer to the enclosed picture and also to the Encyclopedia Americana for our substantiation.

Very truly yours,
THE LEATHERNECK.

The Editor, THE LEATHERNECK,
Washington, D. C.
Dear Sir:

While on liberty last week-end at Savannah Beach, Georgia, two Marines and myself were standing on the walk which runs along the water front looking at the feminine pulchritude, when an Army M. P. from Fort Sereven walked up to us and told us to tuck our neckties in our shirts, (which is an Army regulation). For a moment we were dumbfounded and didn't know what to say. We told him it wasn't regulation for us to tuck our ties in. He said that he had orders for all soldiers to tuck their ties in and that he was to enforce it. Then we told him we were Marines, which are not part of the Army. He then called the Sgt. of the Military Police when we refused. I began to get mad, so I went to the Commanding Officer of the guard, who quickly told us to forget the incident, as the soldier had been in the Army only 4 weeks, and probably didn't know the Marine was separate from the Army.

I thought you would like to put this in your next issue, as we all thought it was very amusing.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD F. MCKNEW, Pfc.

The Editor, THE LEATHERNECK,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I would like to know whether or not any medal or ribbon is to be awarded to men who served in China during the recent hostilities.

I served with the 2nd Bn., 4th Marines, in Shanghai from August 1937 to November 1938, and from November 1938 to July 1940, with the Marine Detachment, Tientsin, China.

I would also like to know whether you could possibly send THE LEATHERNECK to this Recruiting Station for the purpose of recruiting.

Thanking you for your kind attention to this matter, I remain,

Very truly yours,
LOUIS J. SCHULTZ, Jr.,
NCO in Charge.

Sgt. Schultz:

In reply to your recent letter, we wish to inform you that we have received the following information from Marine Corps Headquarters.

"The records of this office show that Schultz is entitled to the China Service Medal for his service in China 1937-1940, however, the medals are not ready for issuance. Schultz's name has been placed on file, and when the medals are ready for distribution one will be sent to him."

We trust that this is all the information that you desire and that it is most satisfactory. If there is any further information that you might need, do not hesitate to call upon us.

Very truly yours,
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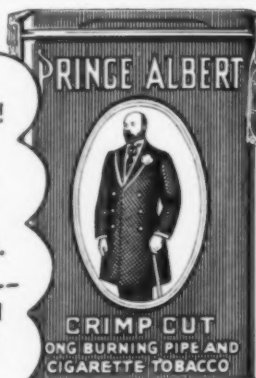
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THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN

On Tuesday, 20th August, 1940, at 3:52 in the afternoon, the Prime Minister gave the House of Commons one of those periodic reviews on the progress of the war with which members in particular and the country in general have grown familiar. The occasion was grave. On 8th August, the Germans, after a period of activity against our shipping, which had lasted for somewhat longer than a month, had launched upon this island the first of a series of mass attacks in daylight. For some ten days, and notably on the 15th and 18th, men and women in the streets of English towns and villages and in the countryside had seen high up against the background of the summer sky the shift and play of aircraft engaged in the fierce and prolonged combat which has come to be known as the Battle of Britain.

The House was crowded. Its mood was one of anxious enthusiasm; but enthusiasm waxed and waned as the Prime Minister proceeded to describe the swiftly changing movements of the battle, the opening stages of which some of the members had witnessed themselves.

After referring to the work and achievements of the Navy, Mr. Winston Churchill turned to the war in the air. "The gratitude of every home in our island," he said, "in our Empire, and indeed throughout the world, except in the abodes of the guilty goes out to the British airmen, who, unwearied in their constant challenge and mortal danger, are turning the tide of the World War by their prowess and by their devotion. Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few."

The Prime Minister was speaking at a moment when the battle was still at its height, for it was not until the end of October that the German Luftwaffe virtually abandoned its attacks by daylight and began to rely entirely on a policy of night raiding—its tacit admission of defeat.

It is now possible to tell, in great part, the story, on which such high praise has been bestowed. Before doing so, however, it is worthwhile to recall the extraordinary nature of the battle. Nothing like it has ever been fought in the history of mankind. It is true that aircraft frequently met in combat in the last war; but they did so in numbers very small when compared with those which were engaged over the fields of Kent and Sussex, the rolling country of Hampshire and Dorset, the flat lands of Essex and the sprawling mass of London. Moreover, from 1914 to 1918 fights took place either between individual aircraft or between small formations, and an engagement in which more than a hundred aircraft on both sides were involved was rare even in later stages of the war. The issue was, in fact, decided not in the air, in which element the rival air forces played an important but secondary part, but by slow-moving infantry in the heavy mud of Flanders and the Somme. It may be that the same thing, or something like it, will ultimately

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happen in the present war. Up to the moment, however, the first decisive encounter between Britain and Germany has taken place in the air, and was fought three, four, five and sometimes six miles above the surface of the earth by some hundreds of aircraft flying at speeds often in excess of three hundred miles an hour.

While this great battle was being fought day after day, the men and women of this country went about their business with very little idea of what was happening above their heads in the fields of air. This battle was not shrouded in the majestic and terrible smoke of a land bombardment with its roar of guns, its flash of shells, its fountains of erupting earth. There was no sound nor fury—only a pattern of white vapor trails, leisurely changing form or shape, traced by a number of tiny specks scintillating like diamonds in the splendid sunlight. From very far away there broke out from time to time a chatter against the duller sound of the engines. Yet had that chatter not broken out, that remote sound would have first changed to a roar and then to a fierce shriek, punctuated by the crash of heavy bombs as bomber after bomber unloaded its cargo. In a few days the southern towns of England, the capital of the Empire

itself, would have suffered the fate of Warsaw or Rotterdam.

The contest may, indeed be likened to a duel with rapiers fought by masters of the art of fence. In such an encounter the thrusts and parrys are so swift as to be often hard to perceive and the spectator realizes that the fight is over only when the loser drops his point or falls defeated to the ground.

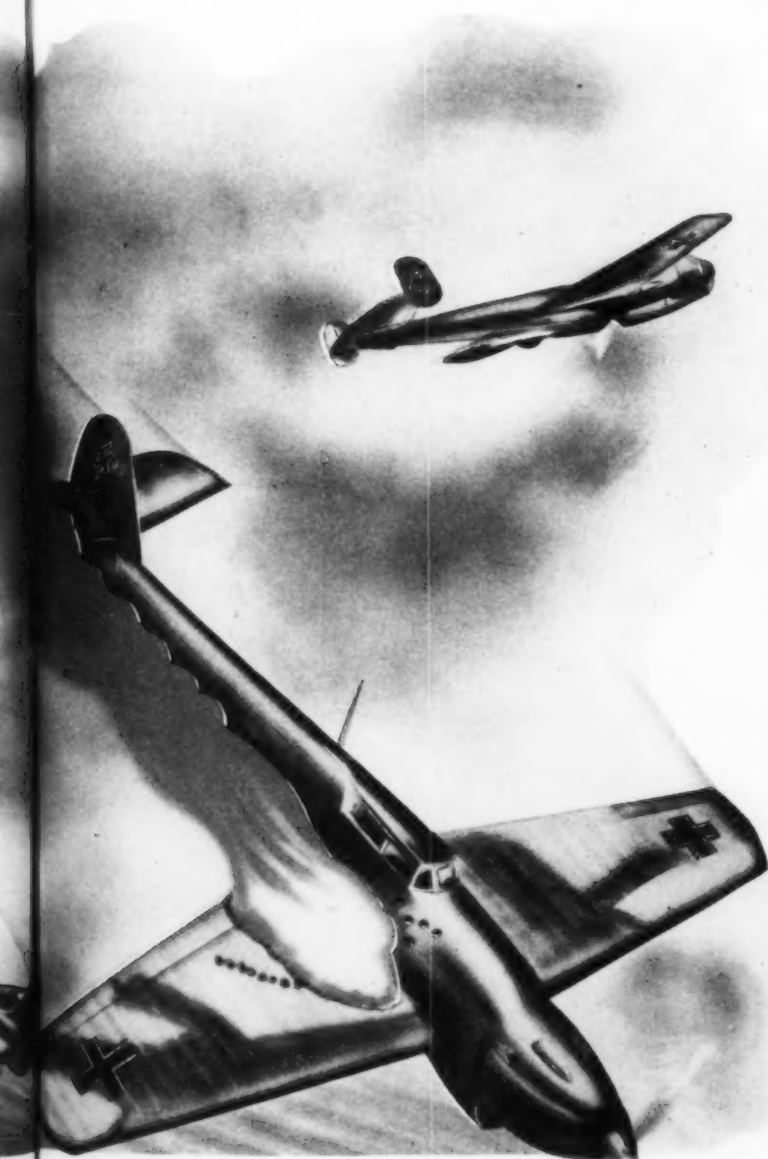
THESE WERE THE WEAPONS USED

Before we can understand the general strategy and tactics followed by both sides, something must be said of the weapons used. The Germans sought a decision by sending over five main types of bombers—the Ju.87, a dive-bomber, the Ju.88, various types of the Heinkel 111, the Dornier 215 and the Dornier 17. The Ju.87 type B was a two-seater dive-bomber. It was an all-metal, low-wing cantilever monoplane, armed with two fixed machine guns, one in each wing, and a movable machine gun in the aft cockpit. When looked at from straight ahead the wings had the shape of a very flat W. Its maximum speed in level flight was a trifle over 240 miles per hour. The Ju. 88 was also a dive-bomber with a maximum speed of 317 m.p.h. Its crew and armor were similar to those of the Heinkel 111. The Heinkel 111K Mark V. was a low-wing cantilever, all metal monoplane with two engines. It carried a crew of four and was armed with three movable machine guns, one in the nose, one on the top of the fuselage and one in the streamlined "blister" underneath. Its maximum speed was nearly 275 m.p.h. The Dornier 215 was a high-wing cantilever monoplane of all metal construction with three movable machine guns similarly placed to those of the Heinkel 111K. Its maximum speed was about 312 m.p.h. It was a development of the Dornier 17, familiarly known as "the flying pencil." This aircraft was a midwing cantilever monoplane. It was armed with two fixed forward-firing machine guns in the fuselage, one movable gun in the floor and one on a shielded mounting above the wings. Its maximum speed was about 310 m.p.h. Variations and increases in armaments were constantly made in these aircraft which carried the bombs intended to secure victory. These bombers were protected by fighters of which the Germans used two main types, the Me. 109 and the Me. 110. The Me. 109 in the form then used was a single-seater fighter. It was a low-wing, all metal cantilever monoplane armed with a cannon firing through the air screw hub, four machine guns and two more in troughs on the top of the engine cowling. Its maximum speed was a little more than 350 m.p.h. Its pilot was later protected by back and front armor of which the size and shape became standardized during the course of the battle. The Me. 110 was a two-seater fighter powered with two engines. It was an all metal, low-wing cantilever monoplane with two fixed cannons and four fixed machine guns to fire forward from the nose. It was much larger than the Me. 109 but had not got the same capacity of maneuver. Its maximum speed did not exceed 365 m.p.h. In this aircraft the crew was protected by back armour only.

The Germans also used a few Heinkel 113's. This was a low-wing, all metal cantilever monoplane with a single engine. A cannon fired through the air-screw hub and there were two large-bore machine guns in the wings. The maximum speed was about 380 m.p.h.

To combat this formidable array of fighters and bombers, which Goring had boasted were "defi-

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THE TORPEDO

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ONCE more Mars has unloosed his thunderbolts over a hapless world, and amidst the din and excitement of war, one of his shafts makes headline news every time a torpedo sends a ship reeling toward Davey Jones' locker.

This potent instrument of destruction is the result of long years of painstaking designing and patient experimenting. In 1864, a Scotch mechanic named Whitehead developed the idea of an Austrian and produced the first successful automobile torpedo—a crude device that weighed 300 pounds, ran a few hundred yards at six knots speed and carried a detonating charge of 18 pounds of dynamite.

The accurate, powerful, long-range torpedo of today is the direct descendant of Whitehead's toylike contrivance, for his rudimentary invention contained many essential elements found in the modern weapon. In particular, he devised the method of controlling a torpedo so that it will run at a set depth below the surface of the water.

Designers of many nations took up the work of torpedo development. Although they worked in secret and the results of their labors were jealously guarded, the various improvements always become known in time, with the result that, in general, the torpedoes possessed by every naval power have always been similar in operating principles.

Little by little the original torpedo was improved. In 1891 the Chilean cruiser "Blanco Encalada" was sunk by a torpedo and in 1894 the Brazilian battleship "Aquidaban" met a similar fate. For a time, all navies became exceedingly torpedo-conscious, and the doom of the armored ship was freely predicted. But every new offensive weapon has always resulted in the production of effective defen-

sive means, and the development of the rapid-fire gun and the searchlight proved adequate for keeping torpedo-boats at a distance.

During the Spanish-American War the torpedo played no prominent part, but a few years later, in the Russian Japanese war, it achieved sensational results. These triumphs, however, were in a great measure due to the carelessness and inefficiency of the Russians, as the torpedo was still an inaccurate weapon of limited range.

These successes served to spur torpedo designers to greater efforts, and by 1914 the torpedo with a range of some 8,000 yards and a 500-pound explosive charge had become a weapon to be reckoned with.

Since then its development has proceeded apace, and although torpedo details are carefully protected, it is known that there are torpedoes today that will run for 2,500 yards at a speed of about 45 knots, and some 15,000 yards at 25 or more knots.

The torpedo has a cigar-shaped body which is divided into the head, air-flask, immersion-chamber, engine room, afterbody and tail. These sections contain innumerable complicated mechanisms, descriptions of which are beyond the scope of this article.

The war head is made of sheet steel and contains the explosive charge. It has a nose which, on contact with the target, fires the charge. The nose is inoperative until the torpedo has run through the water far enough to allow it to be armed when a propeller arrangement withdraws a safety

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THE NEW QUANTICO



Situated on the banks of the Potomac River, Marine Barracks, Quantico, as we know it today, is a far cry from the sprawling tent city that erupted from the ground in the hectic days of 1917.

Major Chandler Campbell became the first commandant of the post when his Barracks detachment was transferred from the Annapolis barracks to Quantico 14 May, 1917. He served as Commandant exactly ten days, being relieved by Major Julius S. Turrill.

Located forty miles south of Washington, D. C., on the main line of the Richmond, Fredericksburg, and Potomac Railroad, Quantico is the very center of one of the most historic areas of the United States. American Indians based at Quantico and fought John Smith's advance up the "Patawomek" in 1608.

The sites of the Marine Corps base and the village of Quantico were a part of the grant of land given by King George to the Brent family, and was known for years as Brents Village on Aquia Creek. Brents Village, or, as it came to be known, Aquia Village, was at that time the largest tobacco port in the surrounding country. It was one of the largest relay stations between New York and Florida on the old stage line, and also the center where all the big horse races and cock fights were held.

George Washington,

from his very youth, knew the spot. Alexandria, Mount Vernon, Pohick, Quantico, Aquia Village, Fredericksburg, and other localities well knew the greatest of Americans. And his brother, Lawrence, an American Marine of 1741, also was familiar with Quantico.

The colonial period in Quantico's history was brimmed with bustling trade for Quantico Creek become a point of commercial interest. With the advent of the Scots, Dumfries, on Quantico Creek, came into being, and is notable to Marine Corps annals as Archibald Henderson, Com-

mandant of the Corps from 1820 to 1859, was born near Dumfries.

The Potomac at Quantico, and its tributary Quantico Creek, was a very busy spot of water during the American Revolution. The first naval base of the white man at Quantico was that of the state of Virginia. It was maintained during the Revolution for the issue of supplies and naval stores to the vessels of the Virginia State Navy on which many American Marines served. The vessels of the "Potomac Navy," as the Virginia ships were designated, frequently anchored in Quantico Creek.

Dunmore's British Fleet carried havoc and destruction near Quantico after he sailed into the Potomac about the middle of July, 1776. Among his many devastations was that caused when he land-



Major General Louis McCarty Little, The Commanding General, Marine Barracks, Quantico.

ed near Aquia Creek, below Quantico, burned the residence of William Brent, after looting it, and moved on past Quantico up to the mouth of Occoquan Creek.

Virginia, badly needing sails for the "Potomac Navy," seized the sails of a brig belonging to Dr. William Savage lying in Quantico Creek during the summer of 1776.

And so down through the French Naval War, the Tripolitan War, the War of 1812, the Indian Wars and the Mexican War, the Marines at various times have touched the Quantico area. Sergeant McGurgan, with a detachment of 20 men and a boy, arrived at Dumfries, near Quantico, January 15, 1816, on his march to Headquarters. The vessel on board of which this detachment was embarked at Philadelphia, was left ice-bound about 40 miles below Dumfries, and Sergeant McGurgan landed his men and reached Dumfries on the 14th of January, his men exhausted, and his supplies depleted. Captain Archibald Henderson, at Dumfries, hired a wagon for the remainder of the trip.

During the Civil War Quantico was in the general theater of operations. It heard the rumble of guns and the scurrying of many feet at the First Battle of Bull Run and also at the Second Battle, to the westward. Reynolds' battalion of recruit Marines participated in the first of these battles.

Naval battles occurred nearby in the Potomac. Quantico Creek was often used. The battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville brought Quantico intimately into contact with two Confederate victories. Thus, through over four years of bloody strife Quantico was either an interested spectator or a generous participant in the war.

On April 1, 1917, the opening day of our participation in the World War, Major General Commandant George Barnett appointed a board "for the purpose of recommending a site in this vicinity for a temporary training camp and maneuver field for the Marine Corps," and informed the Board that "this site should be of sufficient size to accommodate approximately 7,500 men, with the necessary maneuver field and target range." Colonel Charles A. Doyen was senior member of the Board, composed of Lt. Colonel George Van Orden and Captain Seth Williams.

The Board members made numerous tours in the vicinity of Washington and after inspecting several proposed sites, selected one as the best site in the immediate vicinity of Washington for a camp of 7,000 men and another site for maneuver grounds. These sites were again inspected by the members of the Board and other Marine Officers and they were declared undesirable for the purpose intended. The Board then proceeded to Quantico to a proposed site in that vicinity and reported on 23 April, 1917, that "it is believed that the site at Quantico fulfills all requirements of a concentration and training camp for the Marine Corps, and all requirements for a permanent post, except that it is not on deep water." This report was further supplemented by Brig. Gen. John A. Lejeune, the Assistant Commandant, in a letter to Brig. Gen. D. W. T. Waller in which he said, "I think we have about made arrangements for a temporary training ground on the Potomac near Quantico. It has very good water facilities and also some public utilities we can use. There will be ample ground at this place for both artillery and infantry combat firing."

After some negotiations the United States Government leased an area at Quantico and established its base there, with the purpose of establishing a post for the instruction of men who received their recruit training at Parris Island and Mare Island.

From Major Chandler Campbell down through the years to the present Commandant of the post, Major General Louis McCarty Little, Quantico, has been fortunate in its far-seeing commandants.

Major General Louis McCarty Little

General Little was born in New York January 16, 1878, and accepted an appointment as a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps July 15, 1899, was promoted to First Lieutenant in 1900; Captain in 1903; Major August 29, 1916; Lt. Colonel 1917; Colonel (temporary) 1918; Colonel (permanent) 1921; Brigadier General 1934, and Major General July 27, 1935.

General Little served as a Second Lieutenant with the Third Battalion of Marines organized for service in the Philippine Islands and with a detachment of the First Brigade of Marines in China during the Boxer uprising. In 1902 he embarked for duty with the battalion of Marines organized for possible service on the Isthmus of Panama; the battalion not being required in Panama, it participated in the winter maneuvers in the West Indian waters.

He was on detached duty with the First Regiment, Expeditionary Brigade, which landed at the Canal Zone, and was again on temporary shore duty with the Provisional Brigade of Marines which landed in Cuba. From August, 1913, to July, 1917, General Little was attached to the American Legation, Peking, China, as a student attache for the purpose of acquiring a knowledge of the Chinese language. Following this he served as Fleet Marine Officer of the Asiatic Fleet and in the latter part of 1918 he was attached to the staff of the Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Naval Forces, operating in European waters, in London, England, where he was detailed as a member of the Planning Section of the Staff.

In 1919 General Little joined the First Brigade of Marines in the Republic of Haiti, where he assumed command of the 8th Regiment and troops in the field. For his service in Haiti he was awarded the Medal of Honor of the Republic of Haiti, with the following citation: "An officer of a generous and courageous character. Acquired great popularity in the regions where he had combated to re-establish order. He organized his command with great energy and with an activity that was beyond all expectations." It was signed by Dartiguenave.

Following this, General Little joined the Naval War College, Newport, R. I. After completing his course at the College, he joined the Army War College, Washington, being awarded his diploma from that college in 1923.

Immediately upon completion of the course at the Army War College, General Little was assigned to duty on the staff of the Navy War College, Newport, remaining there until ordered to duty with the Marine Detachment, American Legation, Peking, China, as Commanding Officer of the post. He received a letter from Charge de Affaires ad interim, American Legation, Peking, for the excellent services rendered at Peking.

In 1927 General Little was ordered to duty at Headquarters, Marine Corps, Washington, D. C., as Director of Operations and Training, holding that post until he was transferred to Haiti as Commanding General, First Marine Brigade, on expeditionary duty in Haiti in 1931. Returning from Haiti in 1934, he was appointed Assistant to the Major General Commanding. In June of 1937 General Little was ordered to command the Marine Corps Base, San Diego, California. General Little was detached from MCB, San Diego, 25 September, 1939, to assume command of Marine Barracks, Quantico, Virginia.

General Little holds the following medals and decorations: The China Campaign Medal; Philippine Campaign Medal; Expeditionary Medal for duty in Panama; Victory Medal; Haitian Campaign Medal; Haitian Medaille Militaire, and the Haitian Order of Honor and Merit. In



The Communications Section at Quantico is one of the finest equipped in the country. There are ample facilities for actual field training, as shown right.



Men graduating from the Quantico School are among the most capable in their field in the world.

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In addition to the above, General Little was awarded a letter of commendation from the Secretary of the Navy for services rendered during the World War.

Under the command of General Little Quantico has become one of the finest-equipped military posts in the world. When Major Julius Turrill succeeded Major Campbell, May 25th, 1917, Quantico was entirely a tent city, hastily constructed. Major Turrill assumed command of the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines. This outfit was assembled under canvas, and after a period of intensive training, embarked for Philadelphia prior to leaving for France. Colonel Albertus W. Catlin became commanding officer at this period and the construction of wooden barracks to replace the tents was begun. Following the 1st Battalion in training and subsequent embarkation for France were the 5th Regiment Base Detachment; the 6th Regiment of Marines; the 5th Brigade; also the 8th Regiment that went to

Galveston, Texas, and the 9th that served in the West Indies.

Shortly after Quantico was leased Major Earl H. Ellis was detailed to investigate and make recommendations concerning rifle and pistol ranges. The rifle range at Quantico today is one of the finest in the world.

Late in 1917 steps were taken toward having the United States Government purchase Quantico for a permanent base. On January 2, 1918, the Major General Commandant appointed a board to make investigations and recommendations "as to the land necessary at Quantico, Va., for quartering, instruction, target practice and maneuvering one Brigade." The report of the board was to be the measure of how much ground should be purchased. President Wilson's proclamation that Quantico was acquired was dated November 4, 1918, and on December 11, 1918, Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels authorized the Marines to take possession of the land.

Among the many great things accomplished at Quantico during the World War were: the erec-



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tion of buildings, splendid French and Canadian instructors, many schools including the Overseas Depot, Officers' Training Camps, Engineers, Artillery, Aviation, Gas, Scouting, and Snipers' Course, Training Cooks and Bakers, Target range, Hand-grenade range, the "Chateau Thierry" trench area, Horse Marines, Laundry service, Water supply, Ice plant, Bayonet drills, Athletics, Medical Department, Civil Engineers, THE LEATHERNECK Magazine and Hostess House, among others.

Many Improvements After the War

Among the many improvements at the Quantico Post in the first few years after the war special mention deserves to be made of the rifle range, machine gun range, parade grounds, aviation field, Officers' quarters, Officers' Club, and the stadium. Nearly all this work on improvements and repairs was done by Marine Corps personnel attached to the post, with but comparatively little expense to the Government.

Hard-hitting combat cars for scouting and reconnaissance are a vital part of the equipment of the Fleet Marine Force. The Grumman single seater fighter, right, has distinguished itself with the

British R. A. F., and are now being flown by Marines. The 5-ton tank, below, carries high firing power together with great maneuverability.

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The famous Tenth Marines have carved a notable niche among the organizations that have been stationed at Quantico. Marine artillery was engaged in the fight at Coyotepe, Nicaragua, in 1912. Later an artillery battalion was organized for service at Vera Cruz in 1914, units of which afterward saw service in Haiti and Santo Domingo.

In the summer of 1917, taking as a nucleus the artillery returning from Haiti, a Mobile Artillery Force was organized at Quantico, consisting of the 1st, 9th, 13th, 85th, 91st, 92nd, Supply and Headquarters Companies.

Aviation Activities

Aeronautical activities at the Marine Barracks, Quantico, had their inception July, 1918, when the Marine Aeronautic Section operated two kite balloons for the observation of artillery fire for the 10th Regiment. In November of the same year, the Section was augmented by the addition of four R-6 seaplanes which were used to spot artillery fire for the Marine Corps 7-inch artil-



lery. On July 1, 1919, the Marine Aeronautic Section ceased to exist and its personnel was ordered transferred to Squadron C, Marine Aviation Force, a war time organization which had seen active service at the front in France and Belgium and which arrived at Quantico May 20, 1919, to establish a Marine Flying Field. This was to be a land and water flying station. By June 30, 1920, the personnel at the flying field had erected two steel land plane hangars, 14 temporary barracks buildings and store houses, and a large amusement hall. On May 5, 1922, the flying field was named Brown Field, dedicated to the memory of 2nd Lt. Walter V. Brown, who was killed in an airplane crash while en route to bombing exercises in Chesapeake Bay.

The Marine Corps Schools

Military education for officers at Quantico is almost as old as the post itself. The first Marine Officers' School was assembled there in 1917 and then for three years gave Second Lieutenants a short course in the basic duties of a Marine Officer. In 1920 the course was enlarged, subjects added and the time extended from a bare three months to twenty-two weeks.

In the summer of 1920 a reorganization of the schools was made and the first Field Officers' Class was assembled and on 1 October commenced on a nine months' course modeled on the lines of Leavenworth, but based principally on the instruction that had been so successful in the Marine Officers' Infantry School. This course was not as extensive or as advanced as Leavenworth but was exceedingly well adapted to meet the needs of the Field Officers of the Marine Corps and to carry out the purpose for which it was established. The School's Staff also prepared a Company Officers' Course, which course started in the fall of 1921 after the results of the Selection Board had become known.

In addition, a Basic School for newly-commissioned Second Lieutenants was organized and functioned at Quantico until the fall of 1924, when lack of suitable accommodations forced its transfer to the Marine Barracks, Navy Yard, Philadelphia. The Basic School as originally organized was a five months' course, but it was soon found that this was too brief a period to cover the essential subjects that should be mastered by all Lieutenants, and so it was increased to nine months. While the Basic School is at Philadelphia, it is under the direction of the Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Schools, Quantico.

The Photographic Section

Officially, on December 1, 1940, the Marine Corps Photographic Section became a new addition to the Marine Corps; attached to the Marine Corps Schools and fostered by the very able staff of that organization, it has grown remarkably under the paternal guidance and direction of Captain W. M. Nelson, Officer in Charge of the Section.

The primary function of this section is the production of motion picture training films for visual education, and the distribution of training films, film strips and other projectional material for the training of the various units of the Marine Corps and special classes of students under the direction of the Marine Corps Schools. Additional functions cover the production of recruiting films and recruiting trailers, for distribution to the recruiting service at large, as well as to civilian organizations and groups desiring this film service.

The Section under Captain W. M. Nelson and his second in command, Lt. W. A. Halpern, consist of Master Technical Sergeant D. C. Barnum, chief clerk and NCO in charge; Technical Sergeant John D. Rogers, chief cinematographer; Staff Sergeant William S. Kappel, film librarian and cinematographer; Sergeant Alfred W. Rohde, Jr., cinematographer; Corporal Stanley D. Kops, scenarist; Cameraman Sergeant Cecil E. Ellinburgh, Corporal John A.

Little and Private First Class John F. Link, who are at present at the March of Time undergoing a period of special instruction and training. Assistant Cinematographers Private First Class Donovan R. Raddatz, Private Allison W. Reams and Private Arthur L. Steckler. Projectionist, Steve M. Mikulich and Clerk, Paul D. Sinnott, Private First Class Clyde D. Goodwin, assistant film librarian.

Field units have been formed and additional units will be trained for filming training pictures in the field, which will be edited, narrated and sound-tracked by the base unit who prepare the final film for review by a special board, prior to release by the Marine Corps to various units and organizations of the Corps.

The Marine Corps Schools Film Library already has quite a large selection of training films available, which cover all phases of military tactics and training, and is rapidly making additions to augment the library.

The booking of these films which are furnished in both 35-mm and 16-mm sound is accomplished by the base unit at the Marine Corps Schools at Quantico, Va. (It is anticipated that very shortly another library unit will be established at the Marine Corps Base at San Diego, Calif., to facilitate the visual education of the West Coast Troops.)

There is very little glamour in the production of training films; however, on location, the present staff certainly look like a small part of Hollywood, with their very complicated and voluminous equipment, to say nothing of the very "Professional" location atmosphere under the direction of Lt. W. A. Halpern.

The Marine Corps Museum

The most recent addition to Quantico's rapidly growing collection of modern buildings is the Recreation building, housing the Hostess House, Post Exchange, game rooms, movies and the Marine Corps museum. The museum, rapidly growing in size, is under the command of Lt. Colonel C. H. Metcalf.

The establishment of a museum for the Marine Corps was authorized by Marine Corps Headquarters Circular Letter No. 391 of 2 October, 1940. The purpose of the museum, as set forth in that letter, is to foster our ESPRIT-DE-CORPS, help to build up and maintain traditions, and to preserve objects of lasting historical and sentimental interests to the Marine Corps. In order to accomplish this purpose it was believed to be important for the Museum to be located where it would be viewed by the largest possible number of officers and enlisted men of the Corps. The situation was such, at that time, that locating it at Quantico promised to best fulfill those conditions.

The Marine Corps had not had a central depository for its relics and mementoes, and as a result many valuable objects which should have been saved for a Museum were discarded or found their way into other museums. There were, however, a few small collections of objects; such as, a collection of World War trophies assembled by the Depot of Supplies in Philadelphia, a collection of old flags and other objects at the Marine Barracks, Washington, and numerous objects which had been left at the Headquarters of the Corps. These, together with displays which had been prepared for expositions and donations by individuals, constitute the Museum's collection so far. It should be borne in mind that the Museum is only in its beginning, and the ultimate completion of its collection rests entirely in the hands of persons having worth-while articles to loan or donate to it.

One of the first problems to be solved in connection with the establishment of a Marine Corps Museum was the adoption and procurement of suitable display equipment. It was deemed of the greatest importance that articles left



The United Men's Club and below the fire department drilling



Comdr. Gene Tunney, USNR, former world's heavyweight champion, delivers a lecture on physical fitness in Butler Stadium.



QUANTICO AT ITS INCEPTION

Below—The site of the present gas station and town of Quantico.
Left—The site of the present Recreation building.

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with the Museum should be, at all times, secure, and, at the same time, kept under conditions which would eliminate, as far as possible, deterioration in any manner. The equipment used by a number of the leading museums of the country was examined with that point of view, and heavy plate-glass cases, partly with aluminum and partly with steel frames, were adopted. Two types of cases are in use—large, built-in wall cases and movable cases, a part of which are of the wall-type, while others are either high or low glass-top tables. All cases are dust and vermin proof and are kept securely locked. The equipment selected is of the latest design and has the characteristic of scarcely being noticeable, thus emphasizing the objects being displayed rather than the cases themselves.

The Museum is located on the second floor of the new Recreation Building with its main exhibits in the room just above the lobby of the Post Theater and a secondary collection in wall cases in the Exhibition Hall leading from the main museum to the Post Library.

The collection in the Exhibition Hall was originally designed for the San Francisco Exposition, where it was on display during the two years of the Exposition. The large wall cases, framed in aluminum and having plate-glass fronts and indirect fluorescent lighting, were designed primarily for the housing of life-sized figures wearing uni-



Brig. General Julian C. Smith, Commanding General, the Training Center, Quantico, being sworn in as a Brigadier General in the Marine Corps by Maj. Gen. Little.

forms of the Marine Corps at various periods throughout its history and grouped with murals of the same periods. There are six groups of figures and murals in all. The murals were painted by Captain J. J. Capolino, USMCR., of Philadelphia. Each mural is flanked by a life-sized figure of an officer and enlisted man. The oldest group is wearing the uniform of 1810; the next, that of 1834; and the succeeding ones the uniforms of the Mexican War, the Civil War, and that of 1900. The latest of the series is a mural of the Marines on the last day of the World War, flanked by figures of marine officers in the uniform and equipment of that period.

The collection in the main room of the Museum is composed of old flags carried by Marines in various wars; collections of machine guns, rifles, and muskets formerly used by Marines; various weapons and other relics captured in battle; commemorative trophies; medals; original uniforms and equipment articles; various old documents and photostats of documents; and articles used by famous characters of the Marine Corps.

The flag collection contains flags, or parts of flags, dating from the Mexican War—most of which had been on display at the Marine Barracks, Washington (for nearly one hundred years the Headquarters of the Corps) a number of years before being brought to the Museum. Perhaps

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Photo courtesy MT-Sgt. D. C. Barnum

The Marine Corps Photographic Section has established a fine library of training films for use throughout the Corps.

the most interesting of these is that which was carried by General Waller in the Boxer Rebellion and in the Philippines.

The collection of machine guns used by the Marine Corps includes all such guns used by Marines beginning with the Gatling Gun down to, but not including, machine guns now in actual use. The collection of muskets and rifles used by Marines is practically complete since the musket adopted in 1851. Part of these weapons were loaned to the Museum by the Smithsonian Institution.

The collection of weapons and various other trophies captured in battle should be an inspiration to any Marine; a greater part of them were captured during the World War, many of them from the crack units of the German Army. Incidentally, the German Army rapidly learned to respect Marines and other American Forces

during the World War, and it is not likely that the new German Army has lost that respect.

A complete collection of military medals, decorations, and badges which have been worn by Marines is being collected. So far the collection is complete as far as American decorations are concerned, but due to the cutting off of the supply of medals made in France, it is now impossible to procure many of the foreign medals, which have, at various times, been awarded to Marines. The collection of medals is supplemented by various and typical citations which have been given Marines and Marine Corps organizations. The Museum has a growing collection of commemorative plaques, cups, and other trophies of military significance. It does not collect or display athletic or sport trophies.

In addition to the uniformed figures in the Exhibition Hall, the Museum has a small collection of original articles of uniform and equipment, the oldest of which were regulation as early as 1835. Many Marines will be struck with the early Marine Corps Insignia which superceded that now worn which was not adopted until 1867. The collection of uniforms, insignias, and equipment contains articles worn by such distinguished Marines as Colonel Com-



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Above—Post Headquarters and, left, a view of the new Non-Commissioned Officers' Quarters.



mandant John Harris, Major General Commandant George Barnett, and Generals Waller and Butler.

The Museum is attempting to make a collection of photographs which will form a pictorial history of the Corps. The photographs are arranged in vertical trays mounted in cabinets so that they can be viewed without being handled by the public. Photographs of the more war-like activities of Marines are especially desired for this collection.

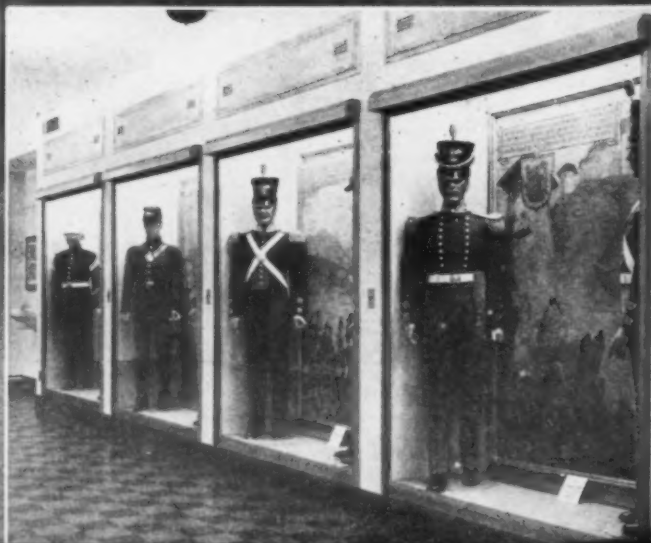
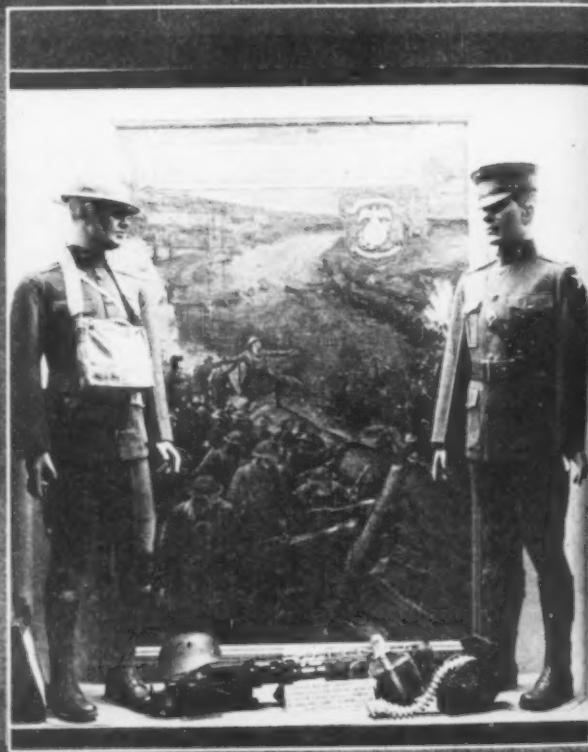
It is the policy of the Museum to rotate its exhibits in order to maintain a more active interest in the collection. It is equipped with a large loft storeroom fitted with steel lockers and other secure storage where articles not actually on display may be kept and properly preserved. In this storeroom is also the collection of the World War relief

maps of the several battle fields upon which the Marines fought during the World War.

The Curator wishes to impress upon all Marines and friends of the Marine Corps, that the future success of the Museum depends largely on donations by individuals. Anyone having articles which they care to donate or loan to the Museum should, however, communicate with the Curator to be sure that the object fits into the general scheme of the Museum before sending in donations. Smaller articles suitable for display in cases are particularly desired.

The Fleet Marine Force

The Fleet Marine Force for the Eastern coast, under the command of Major General Holland M. Smith, is based

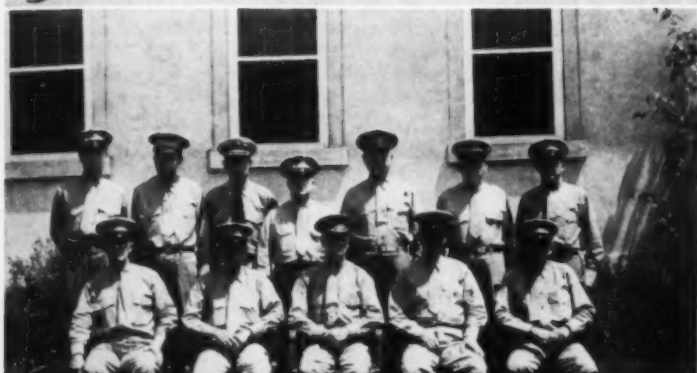




Left—Maj. Gen. Holcomb, The Major General Commandant, and Col. Shepherd are hosts to officers of the British Royal Marines at a recent Quantico tour.

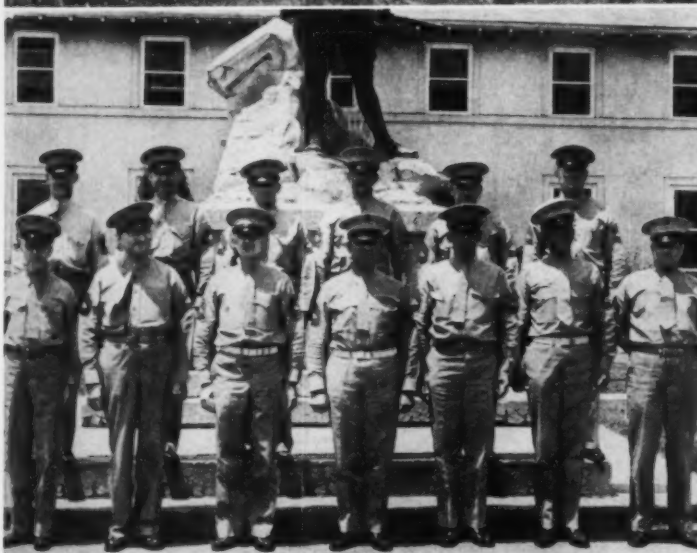
Lower—Major General L. McCarty Little, and his staff.

Lower left—The Sergeants Major of MB, Quantico.



Below—General Holcomb addresses a joint ROC and Candidates' Class graduation.

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Maj. Gen. Holland M. Smith, Commanding General, the F.M.F.

at Quantico. The Fleet Marine Force is a unit of the United States Fleet, and serves under the orders of the Commander in Chief. It is available to the Commander-in-Chief for fleet operations and for exercises in connection with Fleet problems, either afloat or ashore. The Fleet Marine Force is now an integral unit of the combatant sea establishment.

There has always been something like it in the Marine Corps; a permanent unit from which the required organizations could be developed. For many years the old First Company, called the Advanced Base Force, was maintained at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. In those days Marine Corps Expeditions were formed around the relatively few officers and men of the Advanced Base detachment, by transferring individuals from wherever they could be spared, throwing them aboard a battleship or transport, and organizing them during the voyage to the objective. Such measures were adequate during the innocent days before the first World War, but military operations have now grown vastly more complicated. You can no longer hit the beach with some Navy landing guns, some push-carts, and your rifles and bayonets. Infantry, artillery, the special weapons, the communications details, air forces, chemical warfare experts, in addition to the sanitary, supply and recreational units; are all features of the modern expeditionary forces. Automatic riflemen, machine gunners, artillerymen, radio operators, aviation pilots, and

Machine-Gun Teams of the Fleet Marine Force Snap-in

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The Federal Bureau of Investigation Academy at the Quantico Rifle Range.

observers, smoke and gas people, and the mechanics for tanks, armored cars, and tractors, are specialists whose individual training is a matter not of months but of years.

The progress of the Fleet Marine Force has been satisfactory to all concerned. The Marine Corps has been gratified by the expressions of approval proceeding from the Naval Officers under whom the Force has operated. The drills and training of the Force are carried out with strict adherence to its war-time mission, and every maneuver has been subjected to careful and critical scrutiny, in order that the fullest advantage may be taken of every phase of its experience and the lessons learned usefully applied to the future. Under energetic commanders and skillful staffs, the Fleet Marine Force has consistently maintained the Marine Corps tradition of efficiency and resourcefulness. It is the Marine Corps' most important contribution to the great cause of national security.

Major General Holland M. Smith

General Smith, present Commanding Officer of the Fleet Marine Force, follows a long line of distinguished officers



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Corpsmen's Quarters at the new Dispensary.

who have commanded our eastern Expeditionary detachment. Born 20 April, 1882, in Seale, Alabama, General Smith was appointed a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps 29 March, 1905, and a First Lieutenant 1908, Captain in 1916, Major (temporary) in 1917; Major (permanent) 1920; Lieutenant Colonel 1930, Colonel 1934, Brigadier General 1939, and Major General in 1941.

He has served in the Philippine Islands and Santo Domingo. In the latter country he participated in engagements with outlaw forces at La Pena and at Kilometer 29. He left the U. S. in 1917 in command of the 8th Company, 5th Marines, but after completing the course at the Army General Staff College, Langres, France, was ordered to the 4th Marine Brigade, 2nd Division, A.E.F., as Brigade Adjutant. He served in that capacity in the Verdun Sector and in the Aisne-Marne Defensive Operations. July 6, 1918, he was transferred to the First Corps, First Army, and in the Aisne-Marne Offensive served as Assistant Operations Officer. He also served in this capacity in the St. Mihiel, Oisne, and Meuse-Argonne offensives. Transferred November 22, 1918, to the Third Army, as Assistant Operations Officer, he participated in



(Photos, the Reproduction Section, M.C.S.)
Signal Tower and one of the Hangars at Turner Field.



(Photos, the Reproduction Section, M.C.S.)
The Nurses' Quarters at the new Dispensary.



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Members of the Mortar Platoon Snap-in the 81-mm. Mortar

the march to the Rhine. On December 9 of the same year he was detailed to General Staff, U.S.A.

For his services in France, General Smith was awarded a Meritorious Service Citation by the Commander-in-Chief, A.E.F., and the Croix de Guerre with palm for his courage and remarkable ability in Belleau Wood and vicinity.

On his return from France he was ordered to the Marine Barracks, Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va., and was later detailed in Charge of the Officers' School for Service Afloat. In December of 1920 he was ordered to the Naval War College, Newport, R. I., and having completed the course there, served on duty in Naval Operations, War Plans, and was a member of the Joint Army-Navy Committee from November, 1921, to May, 1923. In 1924 and the following year General Smith served as Chief of Staff and Officer in Charge of Operations and Training with the First Brigade of Marines in the Republic of Haiti, and on his return as Chief of Staff and Brigade Commander at Marine Barracks, Quantico, until September, 1926, when he was assigned to the Field Officers' Course, Marine Corps Schools, where he was graduated and received his diploma in 1927.

Serving as Post Quartermaster from June 1927 to March 1931 at the Marine Barracks, Navy Yard, Philadelphia, he was transferred to the USS "California" for duty as the Force Marine Officer on the staff of the Commander, Battle Force, U. S. Fleet. He served in that capacity until June 1933. Commanding the Marine Barracks, Navy Yard, Washington, D. C., until 1935, General Smith was then transferred to the Department of the Pacific, San Francisco, Calif., for duty as Chief of Staff and Personnel Officer. Detached from this duty in March, 1937, he was ordered to Headquarters, Marine Corps, for duty as Director of the Division of Operations and Training. He served in that capacity until 1939 when he was appointed Assistant to the Major General Commandant. General Smith was appointed Commanding General of the 1st Brigade September, 1939.

General Smith holds the following decorations and medals for meritorious service: the Meritorious Service Citation by CinC, A.E.F.; Order of the Purple Heart; Croix de Guerre with Palm; Victory Medal; Expeditionary Medal for service in Panama, Santo Domingo, and Haiti; Dominican Republic Medal, and the Mexican Service Medal.

All on the Quantico Post is not work, however. Facilities are provided for the recreation of both enlisted men and officers. The post affords one of the most beautiful swimming pools in the state. There are an excellent golf course, polo grounds, stadium, Officers' Club, and an enlisted men's recreation house, and enlisted men's club. Participation in intramural sports, both football and baseball, is encouraged.

Dependents of service personnel have the advantage of comfortable quarters, means for recreation, family hospital service and the post schools. Living conditions for officers have been augmented. The post maintains a large unit affording hospital facilities for the men stationed there in a beautiful new hospital, and the American Red Cross has a permanent office on the post. A library of over 6,000 books offering literature of today and yesterday is available for those who care to use it.

To the visitor Quantico seems a complete and separate unit, reposing on the banks of the Potomac. To the service, it is a link in the chain of military operations whereby this nation, desiring peace, is prepared if the worst come, to defend the rights of American citizens wherever they may be.



Aerial View of MB, Quantico, Va.



Above — Pietrich, short-stop on the Quantico nine, hits one safely.



Right, top—left to right—Sgt. Falzone, Pfc. Muscilino and Marini, and Corp. Ford, Lifeguards at the Quantico Pool.



Right—Muscilino executes a perfect swan dive.

Lower left — A race between two of the Guards and, below, a view of the spacious pool.

(Photos—MT-Sgt. D. C. Barnum)



SPORTS

QUANTICO SPORTS

Quantico sports teams are once again rendering sleepless nights to visiting coaches as teams from the Virginia post stir memories of the grand old days, when the Marine Corps was a major national power on the gridiron and diamond.

Lt. Saunders and his Quantico gridders showed just enough power last year to whet the appetite of their followers, and cause opponents to get set for the shock, while the baseballers, under the grand old man of the game, Derby Ross, are starting to display their diamond finesse.

1st Lieutenant Dwight L. Harris, Post recreation officer, has been the power behind the resurgence of Quantico teams into the sport spotlight, and his well-laid groundwork, with the able assistance of Sgt. Major Austin J. Ross, is now beginning to bear fruit.

One of the most colorful personalities in the grand parade of Marine Corps sports is Sergeant-Major Austin J. Ross, known wherever the Globe and Anchor is planted as plain "Derby."

A giant six-footer, Derby Ross is an "Old China Hand," having first come out to China late in 1925, being stationed at Peking, where he carved a particular niche for himself in Marine Corps sports activities, starring in three major sports, baseball, football, and basketball. Due to his giant stature, Derby played center for the basketball quintet, center for the Marine eleven, and held down the first hassock for the baseball nine.

The years 1926, '27 and '28 were part of the golden era for Marine Corps sports, and Derby had a gigantic paw in the doings. In 1927 the Marine baseball team won the North China Championship and also defeated the Japanese champs, while the Tenth Regiment hoopers edged out

the Marines for the local championship.

The following years were spent at Mare Island, and Cavite, finally returning to Shanghai in 1930. These years found him wielding a potent bat for his respective post teams. He stayed during the hostilities in 1932, and then came to Quantico, where he made a brief retirement from

sports. 1936 found him back in Shanghai and with smell of the horsehide once again in his nostrils, the old warhorse came out of retirement, donning the mitt to play first base for the First Battalion.

Derby Ross was born and bred in San Francisco and enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1917. Derby marked time until 1921, beginning his Marine Corps baseball career in Cuba. The next season saw him at Quantico, where he held down first base for the championship nine. He was also right half on the Quantico eleven.

At Mare Island he again played baseball for the next three years. Here he was the wheel-horse for the team that held the All-Service Championship for those three years.

Now at Quantico, Derby has high hopes of turning out another championship team. However, championship or no, any opponent playing against the Quantico nine will be up against "smart baseball," for that's the only kind Derby knows.

Quantico football had its origin in 1919 under the direction of Dutch Moulthen. His death, resulting from a plane crash at Parris Island later that year, brought an abrupt end to his endeavors. But the foundation for football had been laid and in 1920 Walter (Boots) Brown, and Sanderson, star of Montana's gridiron machine, together with Palmer, Bain, Hunt and Liveridge, reorganized the team.

Brown, whose exploits on the gridiron have become tradition in the Corps, was the guiding power of this organization. Plans were formulated and the foundation built for the continuance of football on an extensive scale. The era of 1921-1924 marked the renaissance of football in the Corps. General Butler, in command at Quantico at the time, proved the impetus that gathered momentum each year, until finally the Marines took their place among the major gridiron powers of the country.

Navy yards, battleship details, all posts and recruiting offices were combed for football tal-



1941 QUANTICO DUCKPIN CHAMPIONS

Left to right, front row—Sgt. Maj. Pince, Qm-Clk. Dykstra (Capt.), Corp. Haberkorn. Rear—Corp. Stozek, Sgt. Hora and Pfc. Babb.

ent. The first contingent reporting at Quantico was composed of many stars. Following the original influx came Frank Goettge, and Henry from Haiti; McHenry from the USS "Mississippi"; Beckett and McMains, from Mare Island, and Hall, from recruiting duty at Salt Lake City. Sanderson and Palmer and a few others remaining from the 1920 team, furnished the nucleus for the new head coach, Johnny Beckett. It was in that capacity Beckett reported to become the guiding hand of four powerful team, the first two and the last of which were undefeated. During his regime of four years, his hard-hitting elevens participated in 42 games, winning 38, losing 2, and tying 2.

The 1940 Quantico aggregation, under the guidance of Lt. Saunders, was a true prototype of the great Virginia elevens of the past. Closing a successful season with a 7-0 humbling of the Baltimore Firemen eleven, the Quantico gridders displayed a world of crushing power, and served warning on future opponents that the Marines are once again riding high, wide and handsome on the sports trail.

DUCKPIN CHAMPIONSHIP WON BY POST SERVICE BN. "B" TEAM AT QUANTICO

For the third year in succession the Post Service Battalion captured the Post Duckpin championship when the "B" came through at the finish to nose out the Rifle Range team. By virtue of so doing they gained permanent possession of the excellent cup donated for this purpose. During the course of the tournament the Fleet Marine Force was away on maneuvers; however, the caliber of the bowling was excellent and competition was very keen between all of the teams. The winners had high team game of 566, and high team series of 1597.

The final league standings are as follows:

Team	Won.	Lost.	Pet.
Post Service Bn. "B".....	26	6	.813
Rifle Range	24	8	.750
Signal Detachment	19	13	.594
Post Service Bn. "A"	16	16	.500
Marine Corps Schools	14	18	.438
Base Air Detachment I	12	20	.375
Reserve Officers' Class	12	20	.375
Candidates' Class	11	21	.344
Reserve Training Center	10	22	.313

BOURNE FIELD SPORTS

The St. Thomas tennis club has invited the members of this command to participate in a tennis tournament to be held soon. So far the only entry from Bourne Field is Corp. J. R. Brown, who feels confident that he will bring home the bacon.

Due to the return of afternoon athletics, the Guard Company has discontinued their softball league, and is now a part of both "A" and "B" leagues, composed of Aviation, Guard Company, and the Submarine Base. The purpose of these leagues is to afford all members of this command and

the Sub Base an opportunity to play softball.

At the completion of the scheduled games in each league, the playoffs will decide the championship of the detachments stationed here at St. Thomas. To date the standings of the teams are:

"A" League

	Won.	Lost.	Pet.
1. Giants (Gd Det).....	3	0	1.000
2. Rinkie Dinks (Avn)	2	1	.666
3. Slugging 69'ers (Avn)	2	1	.666
4. The Jeeps (Avn).....	1	1	.500
5. Cardinals (Gd Det)	1	1	.500
6. Jayhawks (Sub Base)	0	2	.000
7. Jolly Rogers (Avn).....	0	3	.000

"B" League

	Won.	Lost.	Pet.
1. Wing Tips (Avn).....	3	0	1.000
2. Archies (Gd Det)	2	0	1.000
3. Sooners (Gd Det)	1	1	.500
4. Mugwumps (Avn).....	1	2	.333
5. Pinkies (Avn).....	1	2	.333
6. Pirates (Off).....	1	2	.333
7. Sinkers (Sub Base)	0	2	.000

PHOENIX TOSSEES MEET DEFEAT

The highly touted softball team has tasted the bitter wine of defeat, suffered at the hands of the Honolulu Ship's Team. Thus far no Marine team has succeeded in conquering us and we hope to keep it that way. The Louisville "Sea Soldiers" were plastered around the diamond to the tune of 47-2 in 6 innings. Things became so bad for them in the third inning that Coach Miller considered using the Gunnery Sergeant and Top Sergeant as base runners but finally conceded to merciless play. The USS "New Mexico" was the next hapless victim which we added to our already long list of vanquished. They were decisively quelled by a 11-0 score. Pitcher Al Stanley was credited with the shutout.

Our last game almost proved disastrous for we met the Philadelphia Marines, who were potent with the bat and dangerous in the field. Our self-confidence wavered throughout the first six innings as the Phillies amassed 5 runs to our 3, but amazing coolness "in the clutch" started us on a five-run spurge, which nosed out our worthy opponents, 8 to 5. Well, all we can say is "who's next?"

SAN JUAN QUINTET COMPLETES SUCCESSFUL SEASON IN FAST COMPANY

Greetings from our Marine Barracks down in Puerto Rico. A fair basketball team that had a good season is our news. Our schedule was not as easy as one would think; we played some very good teams, such as the University of Puerto Rico, Y. M. C. A., and semi-professional teams. The basketball team played 10 games before the tournament began, winning 8 and losing 2. All eyes were turned

toward the tournament. A practice game was played between the NAS team and VJ-4, a squadron stationed at the station, which ended in a victory for the Air Station, final score 55-24, one more to the good. Our team played its first tournament game with the 13th Hq. Composite Wing, who turned out to be the 1941 champs. The final score was 35-27. This did not discourage the Air station basketballers but made them fight all the more. The result was winning the next three tournament games they played, including the Battery 51 CAC, 53-24, 10th Bombardment Group, Borinquen Field, 35-16, and 32nd Ordnance, Camp Buchanan, 25-15. At this time a little hard luck came our way; Heath a regular forward was transferred to the USS "Wyoming," Morgera, our regular center, fractured his hand on the back board and Kleszcz, a regular forward, smashed his finger; as a result the team could not stand the loss of these men and dropped the next game to the 35th Bombardment Group, 45-34. This defeat eliminated us from the tournament. This year's basketball team was the first to play away from home; the team took a trip to Borinquen Field and were the guests of the 13th Hq. Composite Wing, stationed at Borinquen Field. Our visit resulted in the playing of two games, the 13th Hq. Composite Wing and 10th Bombardment Group. We won both of these games by score of 29-24 and 36-32; while there the boys enjoyed themselves very much and made many friends. The team had liberty at Aguadilla. The team played a schedule containing 18 games, winning 14 and losing 4. That's a pretty good average, don't you think so? Much of the credit goes to our coach, 2nd Lt. Fricke, and Assistant Coach and Manager, Murphy PHM1el.

The players were: Corp. Bartyzel, Corp. Kleszcz, Pfc. Morgera, Pvt. Gugliano, Corp. Eck, Pfc. Gemborys, Pvt. Antwine, Heath, Morse, Smith, E. A., Balser, Alexander.

TENTH MARINES' SOCKERS STAR AT SAN DIEGO SMOKER

We might rightly be called the fighting Battery I, 4th Battalion, 10th Marines, from the showing we made in the recent TENTH MARINES' smoker. In winning three out of four bouts, Battery "I" boxers drew words of praise from the crowd. "Half-ton" Iaconelli proved to his opponent he was short but not sweet. Jack Romero breezed through his bout without working up a sweat. The opponent of Archie Ballenger was a little excited and took the aggressive, resulting in a TKO to save his neck. John Grivich lost by a close decision.

A swimming party the next day found PlSgt. Respass stealing the show. Respass is actually buoyant, and for a reason that is only too obvious. He made the sad mistake of trying to dive. The "belly-flop" was so great Respass was no longer in the show.

To top off this eventful month, the battery went on a "beer bust." This was a boisterous affair with plenty of excitement in baseball, football, and swimming. Highlights of the event were Mr. Mill's good fellowship in entering all the fun with the gang, and Indian (one-beer) Chavez. Our Indian friend put on a snake act that will long be remembered.



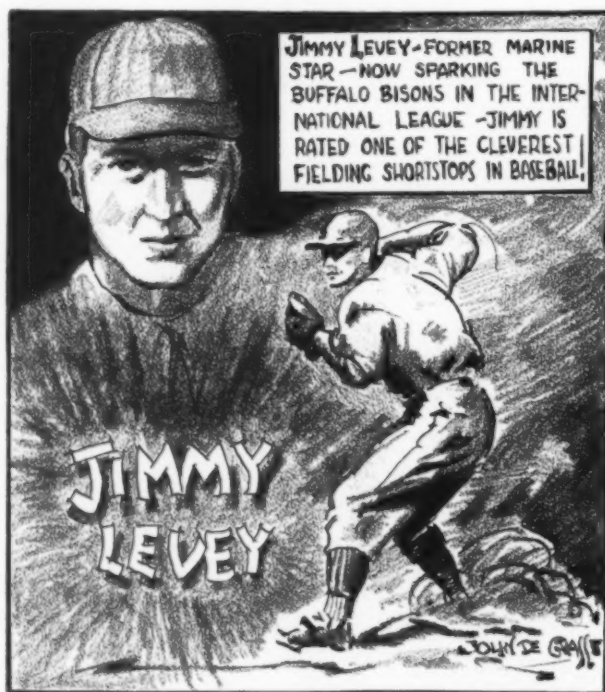
Colonel Willyum Terry of New York's Giants has had his beautiful reputation as a Major League trader badly shattered this year, after compiling an enviable reputation. Terry has not realized one iota of worth from any of his barterings, and the only deal standing up at this reading, was his bringing back of "Rowdy" Dick Bartell, his shortfielder of better days, who was unconditionally released by the Champion Detroit Tigers. . . . Co-incident with the Quantico edition, Jimmy Levey, former athletic great of the Virginia post, has been setting a terrific pace for the Buffalo Bisons in the International League. . . . Levey is credited with being the spark that ignited the Thundering Herd in their drive from the depths to 3rd place. . . . Marine followers are already awaiting the football season and rubbing their hands in expectation as last year's gridiron luminaries flock to the Corps. . . . latest to raise his right hand was "Abe" Shires, Tennessee's great tackle, who has been rated one of the country's standouts for the past three years. . . . He should open up plenty of holes for lightning-fast Franky Rengan, Penn's All-American. . . . Maybe the Rose Bowl will once again resound to Marine songs. . . . Anything this column might say about the late, great Lou Gehrig, would be trite in the face of "Locomotive Lou's" greatness. . . . As always, he went down swinging, and baseball and America have lost a great character. . . . Cornelius Warmerdam of the Olympic Club of San Francisco has astounded all track and field experts with his pole-vaulting, reaching heights that pompous chair-sitters had declared impossible. . . . His latest, in a West Coast meet, was 15 feet 5 3/4 inches. . . . He topped the Olympic Champion and former record holder, Lee Meadows, Southern California luminary, by two feet! Pepper Martin, erstwhile "Wild Horse of the Osage" and leader of the St. Louis Cardinal's Gas House Gang, has founded another Gang on the Pacific Coast, where his Sacramento Saes have astounded the league and jumped off to a commanding lead. . . . They are rated more violent, if that is possible, than their predecessors in the National League. . . .

Lou Novikoff, Mad Russian of the Chicago Cubs is getting madder and madder,

reports say, as he is unable to even buy a hit in the National League. . . . Seems as though the bigtime curvers found something the Pacific Coast twirlers overlooked. . . . He kept many of the latter awake nights with his terrific thumping. . . . Barney McCoskey, brilliant young center gardener of the Detroit Tigers, is a direct contrast to the Cub's flop. . . . Barney was picked up off the Detroit sand-lots and once he got under way, has kept his average in the .350's and covered the center pasture like a tent. . . . When Buddy Baer dumped Joe Louis on his head in the first round of their bout in Washington, recently, the "experts" once again started to sing the swan-song of the great negro. . . . However, those close to the ring game say Louis is still head and shoulders over the rest of the field. . . . Despite radio reports, the fight was so one-sided that Clark Griffith, Washington National's prexy, badly in need of a catcher for his slipping team, almost signed Baer up, declaring him one of the greatest catchers of all time. . . . he caught everything the Brown Bomber threw. . . . Dizzy Dean, shortly after being made a Cub coach, was fined and suspended for fighting with the umpires. The old whip may be dead, but those famous vocal cords seem to be taking up the slack. . . . The plan to allow service men free to games on certain days in the week is gaining momentum and has already been adopt-

to report. . . . They will be greatly missed by the Red Sox, White Sox, and the Giants, respectively, but lo, the poor Washington Senators, who are due to lose Cecil Travis and Buddy Lewis, their total batting order. . . . The hapless Nats have fallen on evil days, and the losing of their only two hitters will be a body blow to their efforts to clear the cellar. . . .

The Cincinnati Reds, after floundering around in the second division, have started their drive for the top, and are now in third place and going strong. . . . Their batting attack has been weaker than a drug store bowl of soup, but the resurgence of "double no-hit" Johnny Vandermeer has pepped up the whole team. . . . Sherman gave the true definition of war, but tennis fans might not agree. . . . Seems as though the Simon-pure???? Lawn Tennis Association is going to let its lily-whites play an open tournament against the bad, soiled pros. . . . wanna bet no amateur reaches the semifinals? . . . However, it is something that the war forced the Tennis Association to do in order to get any fans into a stadium, and should be a good shot in the arm for the game. . . . although Budge, Perry, Stofen, Richards, Tilden, Gledhill and Company will probably shoot holes in the amateur darlings. . . . Followers of Sammy Snead, the White Sulphur Springs Scatter, can now sit back and wait for time to run its course before their hero wins the National Open Championship. A perennial favorite. . . . and probably the finest golfer, day in and day out, in the world. . . . Sammy still can't get over the habit of blowing up with the title in his pocket. . . . However, the stunning triumph of blond, ageing, Craig Wood gives Sammy's followers a lift. . . . Wood has been trying to hit the big jackpot for years. . . . and finally, when considered an old man. . . . came through. . . . He's the oldest American to ever win in Golfdom's biggest test. . . . Tom Yawkey, Red Sox owner, who tried to buy a pennant and failed, is seeking advice from Larry McPhail, Flatbush firebrand. . . . Larry has the Daffy Dodgers up in first place and the lineup reads like a who's who of last year's teams. . . . The purchase of Billy Herman, slugging Cub second sacker, and current 300 hitter, has just about made the Brooklyn infield. . . . But they'll have to go some to lick the speedy, power-laden Cardinals of St. Louis, with the slugging Johnny Mize, Country Slaughter, Don Padgett, Perry Moore, et al. . . . The two teams have been sea-sawing between first and second since the race started. . . . In opposition to the McPhail-Yawkey system, and averaging better results is the little man with the big cigar, Jimmy Dykes, of the Chicago White Sox. . . . Jimmy plays the discards wholly, but has his team up in the first division within hailing distance of the top. . . . latest of the discards, now playing hang-up ball with the ChiSox after flopping for other teams last year are Dario Lodigiani, former Athletic third sacker, and Myril Hoag, erstwhile Brownie and Yankee sub. . . . Billy Knickerbocker, Yankee utility man of last year, has consolidated the leaky Sox infield, and their grand spirit, along with the Dykes-Muddy Ruel master-minding, has put the bargain-ers in the thick of the scramble.



ed by the majority of the teams in the majors. . . . Plans are now being worked out with the military authorities. . . . With the announcement that "Rapid Robert" Feller, the game's greatest pitcher, has been notified to report to his draft board, managers are now jittery, as the teams start to straighten away for the pennant fight. . . . Old timers in the minors, past the draft age, will probably be our new heroes, as the younger and brighter stars don Army khaki. . . . Dom DiMaggio, Johnny Rigney and Morrie Aronovich, are among the others that have been notified

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BOOK REVIEWS

MILITARY MEDALS AND INSIGNIAS OF THE U. S., by J. McHowell Morgan. Publisher—Griffin-Patterson Publishing Co. Price, \$3.00.

This is a distinctive book not only needed in reference libraries, by patriotic societies, military and naval organizations, veteran posts, and numismatics, but also at this time a valuable addition to any home library. The dedication of the book exemplifies the author's reason for writing and compiling these records: "This book is dedicated to the patriots of America who, in testimony of their service, are rewarded by a grateful government."

Although the book deals vulnerably with numismaticology and would be essential to every numismatic, it awakens interests in other fields, particularly in the military circles. Col. R. E. Williams, of U. S. A., Ret., says of the book: "To me this book is not only interesting but fills a long-needed want as a book of reference. Many times during 40 years of Army service I have needed, both officially and unofficially, completed data, such as the book contains. It is believed no like book exists. With thousands of officers and men being ordered and inducted into the military service of our country, many having little idea as to medals and insignia of our army and navy, this book is being published at a time when it will be of great value."

"This book has eight salient features, contains 31 excellent plates, with 200 exact reproductions showing exclusive photographs of George Washington Medal, offers authentic data compiled from official records. Covers uniform regulations, and gives total number of awards and decorations, list of famous persons of history, outlines origin and evolution of medal, and furnishes an interesting text on medals and insignia."

"From a practical standpoint this book is worth while for any one who wishes to be accurately informed as to medals. This would appeal to the army and the navy, since almost all of the books are devoted to them. Out of the 141 pages in the book the authors were kind enough to include the Corps in three pages. So speaking as a Marine I would say a great book insofar as numismaticology is concerned, but it should have gone farther into detail and given the Marines the credit of being the top outfit and not the tail-end. However, there is this to point to with pride, of the total number, 778 Navy Medals of Honor, 115 of them have gone to the Marines."—P. S.

THE ART OF HANDGUN SHOOTING, by Capt. Charles Askins, Jr. Publisher—A. S. Barnes & Co., 67 West 44th St., New York. Price, \$2.50.

"The Art of Handgun Shooting," by Captain Charles Askins, Jr., internationally known pistolier and holder of numerous world's records with every type of handgun, is probably the most valuable manual of revolver instruction on the market today. Although it sells for the healthy price of \$2.50 it will more than pay its own way in the hands of any practicing pistol shooter by virtue of the excellent advice given therein concerning the selection and care of the proper handgun for every purpose. Despite the fact that Captain Askins' reputation rests primarily on his skill as a match shooter he has conducted extensive experiments in almost every field of pistol endeavor and is fully qualified to serve the needs of the law enforcement officer, the military shooter, and the average citizen who enjoys using a handgun on small game or merely for "plinking."

A quick glance at some of the chapter headings in this little book will serve to give you a clearer idea of the thoroughness with which Captain Askins covers his subject. Some of these are: Buying the First Handgun, How to Grasp the Handgun, Basic Training, Slow Fire, Rapid Fire, Trading for a Used Gun, Match-Shooting Psychology, Successful Handling of the .45 Auto., Shooting by Instinctive Pointing, and The Pistol in Modern Warfare.

The author writes simply and clearly, in language which will express just as much to the tyro as to the experienced marksman. Unlike many pistol (and rifle) shooters, he advocates no "crank" methods which are applicable only to a few, but instead dwells most heavily on basic principles which have been proven by exhaustive experiments involving many different physical types and personalities. In addition to the obvious benefits which this book will give to handgunners, it is also a worthwhile purchase for shooters in any branch of the game. The chapter on the psychology of match shooting is applicable to any branch of the game, and contains the soundest advice on this subject that I have ever seen in print.

Another very valuable feature of Captain Askins' book is the clear and accurate photography with which he illustrates the various positions, grips, and stances mentioned in the text. In no other book on shooting have I seen photographs used more profusely or to better advantage.

Finally, and perhaps most important of all, Captain Askins' style is informal, interesting, and sure to attract the undivided attention of even the most casual

reader. There is no atmosphere of grim technical discussion or "inner circle" jargon to alienate the novice. In all honesty this volume has my complete indorsement as the best buy of this, or any other year in its field. It is not unique, but it is the best to date.

MY FIRST WAR, by Captain Sir Basil Bartlett, BT. Publishers, The MacMillan Co., 60 Fifth Avenue, New York. Price, \$1.25.

This short (129 pages) book purports to be "an intimate picture of the disaster that overtook the B.E.F. in Belgium and France, written by a man in a key position to know conditions behind the scenes." I disagree. For the author never actually entered the zones of combat; he spent most of his campaign in confused retreat, bewildered by the machinations of not only the German army but also the ponderous tacticians of his own General Staff. Captain Bartlett was hopelessly caught in the wave of retreat started by the first German successes and quickened by the collapse of the Belgian and French forces. In such a predicament, he could not be aware of the rapidly changing military situation; he only knew that something was wrong, and wondered what that could be.

As an intelligent officer's interpretation of the psychological and natural forces working against the Allied cause, this book is valuable. A former journalist, Captain Bartlett has a mind trained to perceive flaws in character, organizations, or strategy and a gift of phrase which renders them clear to his readers. Here are no heroics, nor declamations on British valor; he contents himself with the observation and portrayal of the pessimism of French officers, the difficulties encountered in dealing with fifth columnists, the weighty revolutions of the British military mind at work, and other such phrases of modern warfare.

The book is filled with lightly philosophical reflections upon mankind at war with itself. The author has a sense of humor which permeates his notes, although I must confess that at times it seems a little obscure. English restraint and all that, you know. Captain Bartlett has chosen to present his material in the form of a diary; this is effective for his tale is staccato, there is only the thinnest thread of continuity on which he has strung the beads of his daily reflections.—W. C. F.



—QUARTERS & SERVICE COMPANY, 2ND MARINES, again sounding off from Camp Elliott, our new home. These new barracks really are something. The boys all agree that this is really the "life." With "boondocking" the order of the day for both the Communication and Anti-Tank Platoons, they are certainly turning out the work. As a result we have had several new rates come out in the Communication Platoon, namely Corporal Floyd B. Chapman becoming a Sergeant and Private First Class Robert E. Marks sporting some brand new Corporal chevrons.

One of the most important dates of the month to us was April 1st. On that date our able Intelligence and Communication Officer, First Lieutenant Robert C. Walton joined us from Division Special Troops. With the addition of Lieutenant Walton our "newly born" Intelligence Department was formed. Sergeant William K. Vance (Reserve) is the number one man in this section with an able assistant by the name of Raymond J. Shafranski, Pfc. Surely with such men as these we should have a cracker-jack of an outfit in no time at all.

The "speed demons" on the North end of the barracks have gone on a few speed runs with the .37mm and from what we hear they move around with those pieces like jack rabbits scared up in the brush.

With a two weeks operation trip for the boys in the near offing, they are all anticipating a taste of the old salt water. Some of these "salty" hats we see around here should feel right at home.

Ned McNussen claims to be angling for a First Sergeant's job. First Sergeant Catchim's chair just fits says he.

Back from a thirty day furlough and full of pep, Gunnery Sergeant Harry M. Towle was recently appointed Regimental Police Sergeant. Things should be on the "spic and span" side now.

HEADQUARTERS, 2ND BATTALION, SECOND MARINES, who, for several months have pounded their hairless chests as the publicity champs of the Marine Corps, bow, with true Marine gallantry to their successors—those dauntless lads of the parachute troops.

This week, hardened local city editors, trained to recognize the daily news as life in its most virulent form, rather than fairy tale—scratched their heads in disbelief.

Repetition is needless. Wherever radio, wireless, or jungle war-drum relays the news of the day, the story of Second Lieutenant Walter S. Osipoff's spine-tingling escape from aerial death, May 15, has precipitated discussion of the merits and shortcomings of the newest form of military strategy—the parachute troops.

Lieutenant Osipoff's miraculous escape from the under-carriage of the transport plane that held him a virtual prisoner, and his rescue by two North Island navy fliers, will forever be a memorable one for all concerned.

An expeditious recovery is wished Mr. Osipoff, and congratulations are tendered to Lt. W. W. Lowrey and J. R. McCants, ACMM, his rescuers.

The grape-vine—not an invariable source of misinformation—divulges that the heroism of these quick thinking fliers of the Navy may entitle them to be proud recipients of the coveted Navy Cross.

Continued "happy landings," men.

The Second Parachute Company's bagging of top honors for what undoubtedly shall be the Number One news feature of 1941 silences the "hear ye" pen of this scribe, but not the doughty Second Marines. The "request for transfer" baskets of all organization officers are still filled to capacity with the letters of personnel volunteering for parachute duty.

Since all other news-worthy events occurring this beautiful month of May are obscured by our "rip-cording" comrades-in-arms, perhaps the following information—gleaned by persistent questioning on the part of this writer—will suffice in lieu of the customary chit-chat palaver of prosaic field training, rolling of heavies, etc., of line soldiering.

Contrary to popular public belief, warranted by the exhibitions of parachutists at air races and carnivals, military 'chutists do not "bail out" from a high altitude. The maximum distance, your reporter discovered, is around 750 feet. Jumping from their height, rather than from two or three thousand feet, is another feature of military strategy. Mainly, to avoid prolonging the chance of being "winged" by enemy rifle fire.

Parachute jumping, like everything else these days, has been stream-lined. The modern warrior of the skies wears two chutes. One, for the initial plunges into the cerulean blue; the other, an emergency one, to be utilized in the event the other does not open.

Jumpers wear special clothing for this most hazardous branch of soldiering. With his entire regalia and helmet the parachutist resembles one of Orson Welles' Martian conquerors.

Men for parachute duty are painstakingly selected according to their physical, mental, and military qualifications. Many of them are former stars of the gridiron, ring, tennis court, ball diamond, or golf green. Trained muscles are essential to withstand the terrific impact when a 'chutist strikes old terra firma.

The men of the Second Parachute Company bail out only once weekly, but devote the remainder of their time assiduously training to keep their wiry bodies in top condition. These men remind one of professional gymnasts, as they roll and tumble, practicing calisthenics, in the center of Camp Elliott.

A 'chutist packs his own chute, incidentally. The underlying principle, of course, is to teach the individual to expertly prepare his parachute as if his very life depended on it, as is assuredly the case!

Once again **HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, SECOND BATTALION, SECOND MARINES** goes to press.

That long awaited moment, when rates are handed out, arrived and many men are now proud possessors of those emblems of authority worn on the sleeve.

Among those wearing Private First Class chevrons are D. R. Bennett, A. T. Piatek, and W. A. Jackson.

The office personnel suffered while smoking the cigars passed out by Corp. F. G. Austin on the receipt of his Corporal's warrant. Corp. Austin is also to be congratulated on winning the contest sponsored by THE LEATHERNECK, "The value of consulting the Post Exchange Officer before buying Jewelry."

Sgt. J. A. Hevern, of the Communication

Platoon, is also to be congratulated upon the arrival of his warrant advancing him to the rank of sergeant.

We extend a hearty welcome to Pfc. R. H. Moore and Pvt. J. J. Burns and Michael Ramirez who joined our Communicators from Radio School. Special congratulations are in order for Pfc. Moore because of the commendatory gold seal after his name on the roster of graduates from Radio School.

The Mortar Platoon received their new mortars last week and have been assiduously engaged in learning the fundamentals and technique of operation since their arrival.

During the past month a myriad of activities have kept occupied the personnel of **COMPANY E**, Second Battalion, Second Marines.

Our rigorous training schedule has included hikes with combat packs, lengthy marches with "heavies," an overnight bivouac during which some of our "friends" in other companies of the battalion staged a couple of fast and slightly shady moves whereby they purloined a few of our "shootin' irons." We are eagerly looking forward for the opportunity of direct retaliation.

Other than these activities, we have also been kept busy firing rifle grenades, throwing hand grenades, constructing barbed wire entanglements and other forms of field fortifications.

To add to the general turmoil, rates have been flying thick and fast, with the result that we now have six new corporals and eighteen new Privates First Class. They are as follows: to Corporal, Aiello, Hollingsworth, Lenz, Richiusa, Young and Zeig, while the new Pfc. are Bayer, Cummings, Elliott, Hardee C., Hardee L., Hoppe, Jenkins, Johnson, Kundraitus, Lett, Leslie, Lincoln, Martinez, Mistovich, Siczko, Spencer, Sturdevant and Wake. Nice going, fellows.

As if the sight of so many new stripes were not enough, there have been several new faces transferred to the company. They are: Pvs. Bunes, Glascock, Hemstreet, Pepper, Robinson, Sefton, Slagle, Slaughter, Stephan, Strain, Tallman and Wortman. We all welcome them to our midst and hope they stay with us for some time to come.

We would like to send our best wishes to Corporals Skavdahl and Fuller who are now on recruiting duty in Dallas, Texas and Pfc. Scarborough who is now in the Second Motor Transport Company.

Platoon Sergeant Sullivan and Corporal Slaughter were discharged and promptly shipped over. Corporal Martin was paid off and shipped over into the Second Guard Company. Corporal Hebert and Pfc. Matson were discharged honorably and left immediately for home. Good-by and Good-luck fellows, "E" Company misses you both.

We have had a tough time keeping up with the changes that have taken place in **COMPANY F**, Second Battalion, Second Marines, during the past month. Men come and go so fast that it makes our heads spin. However, we manage to keep our strength fairly well up to par and come out even in the exchange.

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Richard W. Wyczawski as a new company officer. If the Lieutenant is as good at softball as Company "E" claims, they must be very sorry to lose him.

We have been assigned a good number of new men recently, including: Field Cook Raymond Hoffman; Assistant Cook Du Wayne Cowgill; Privates First Class Le Roy Westbrook, Howard Humbles, and Charles Frink; and Privates Earl Tilson, Glen Vaughan, Ferdinand Loehr, Harold La Barre, Thomas Homewood, Thomas Hodges, Homer Kuey, Raymond Mourton, William Briscoe, William Ridge, and Dee Mitchell.

We are proud to welcome these men aboard. They have joined a good outfit.

But lest we forget and become too exuberant we should tell you that we have lost some good men, also. They are: Platoon Sergeant Odekirk to Headquarters Company, Second Division; Corporal Chamberlin, discharged; Field Cook Machen, to First Battalion; Private First Class Celovsky, to Headquarters Company, Second Division; Private First Class Westbrook and Private Caselton, to Second Guard Company, Second Division; Private First Class Dulcich, discharged; Private Jensen, discharged; Private Fisk, to Second Parachute; Private O'Connor, to Second Motor Transport Company; Private Carlton, to Fourth Tank Company, and Private Young, discharged. Private First Class Martin is temporarily detached for duty with the Sixth Defense Battalion.

Promotions always make someone happy. The happy privates in this company who promoted to Privates First Class were: Edwin Corley, Pete Dulcich, Anthony Jenczewski, Richard Johnson, Herman Watson, Richard Winkler, Chester Graham, Donald Gray, John Green, Karl Koehring, Fred Martin, Frank Murray, James Pieper, Howard Smith, Robert Stiegler, Theodore Voight, and James Wells. Congratulations, fellows. Maybe there will be some more promotions. Rumor has it that there will be an examination very soon for promotion to corporal.

The new Privates First Class are giving the company a party next week. It should be a lot of fun and will give the newcomers a chance to get better acquainted with the oldtimers.

All the men in the company are in tip-top shape due to the intensive training and the heavy marching order hikes we have been having lately. We may grumble a little once in a while but have to admit that we are healthy, in spite of it all.

COMPANY G, Second Battalion, Second Marines, comes to you this time with a lot of good news. The majority of it being the promotions which we acquired in the past month.

Our Commanding Officer was promoted last month. It is now Captain K. F. McLeod, and the fellows are mighty proud to address the Captain as such.

Pl. Sgt. Alvin F. Ehrendreich was promoted to Gunnery Sergeant; Sgt. Matthew J. Gerschoffer was promoted to Pl. Sgt., after reenlisting with 10 years of service; To Sgt.: Corp. Jose R. Anduze and Corp. Leslie Menconi; To Corp.: Pfc. Jack D. Harbolt; To Pfc.: Pfts. John F. Boek, William F. Dathan, William De Groot, Jr., Raymond S. Eagan, Wayne F. Evans, Harold J. Freligh, Armand H. Gradwohl, George A. Gradwohl, Albert A. Hallquist, Rudolph E. Huisinga, John B. Jellema, Earl B. Johnson, Richard J. Kenny, Wil. E. Morris, John Ogrizovich, Robert K.

William M. Lopez, Vincent H. Mack, Lowell Puterbaugh, Roy C. Sorenson, Burton C. Stewart, Riley B. Thompson, William H. H. Urmay, Ralph R. Welch, Robert W. Wellman, William L. Wiggers.

We have had about 15 joinings in the last month, most of them coming from the Recruit Depot. All are a prepossessing bunch of fellows and we hope they will get to the top with this company.

We are still keeping up our average of one discharge a week. This month we had the following men to close out: Corp. Donald M. Dalton, Corp. George H. Brown, Pfc. Richard M. Loper, and Private Frank W. Ridge, Jr.

We returned, this morning, from an all night bivouac, located about 8 miles from here. We had a good time but the boys were pretty foot-sore by the time we got back as the trip was made with "heavies." All in all, the hike was one we will remember for some time to come.

The fresh air and sunshine of Camp Elliott is rapidly putting the men of **COMPANY H, Second Battalion, Second Marines** into the pink of health, tanned backs, and leathernecks.

Hard work and long hours of study have brought many well deserved promotions. W. E. Walter has been advanced to Gunnery Sergeant; Sergeant Marc has made a jump to platoon sergeant and Corporals Lauer, Stoddard and Gaffney recently

added another chevron to their Pfc. stripes. Privates First Class Benton, De Luca, Elliott, Gese, Gender, Golaski, Green, Herring, Horne, Orwig, Seibor, Tebbencamp, Vevurka and McLead have just sewed on their first chevrons.

Progressing very rapidly in the ways and means of veterans are Privates Lewis, Moser, Taylor, Briggs, Garrison, Himes, Jakobson, McMahon, Montano, Naylor, Orton, Schillinger, Sullivan, Taylor, Tudor, Wilkinson, Anderson, Green, and Wilson, who have just joined the company from the recruit depot.

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, SECOND BATTALION, SIXTH MARINES,

lost its Commanding Officer through promotion since the last note. Lt. R. L. Murray was promoted to Captain, and took command of Hypo Company, this battalion. He was replaced by Lt. R. McC. Tompkins, who also takes over the job of battalion adjutant. Second Lieutenant Williams left the Mortar Platoon to assume command of Easy Company, and has been promoted to first lieutenant. He is replaced by 2nd Lt. Arthur "J" Berk as Mortar Platoon leader. Second Lieutenant W. N. Loftin replaced 1st Lt. A. B. Barrows as Communications Officer.

Pfcs. Pittman and Young, of the Mortar Platoon, and radiomen Dow and Harmon, and Private Edward J. A. Ebel of the QM are wearing corporal chevrons. Ebel brings

the number of privates in the QM to be made corporal to four, congratulations.

Privates Forbes, Parker, Clothier, Backes, Battle, Brown, Coleman, Ficken, Gerarve, Greer, Helwig, Key, Kunz, LeBlanc, Leslie, Majoue, McCullough, McMullin, Nestler, Perrine, Riegel, Robinson, Sanders, Swanson and Wolsey were promoted to Private First Class.

The Battalion Intelligence Officer, Lt. Young, has been advanced to First Lieutenant.

The Communications Platoon participated in a divisional Communications landing exercise March 24 and 25, and the Battalion was at sea on the USS "Heywood" for maneuvers for nine days late in April. The first night out was a bit rough, and this scribe has never seen so many sea sick Marines, but after the first night the Battalion got it's sea legs, and the maneuvers were very successful.

Mess Sergeant Walter E. Damon, Company Clerk Howard E. Wallace, Corporals Harold N. Schultz, Chas. E. Evans and Lester H. Jansing, and Corporal Wm. B. Devers, Glen A. Gibbons and Dwight R. Moody were lost by transfer. Sgt. Wm. B. Sweetser, Mortar Platoon Chief, left us for a field arsenal school, and has been replaced by Sgt. Ira McWilliams, who later was promoted to Platoon Sergeant. McWilliams was formerly Battalion Police Sergeant.

The Company has joined Mess Sergeant Wm. R. Black to replace Damon. The Communications Platoon has joined four new radiomen: Privates Gaulling, Domer, Stephens, and Fischer.

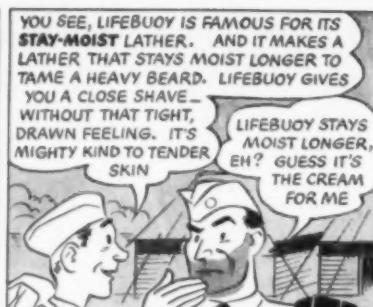
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Another change in Battalion Commanders has been made. Lt. Col. Prentice S. Geer was detached, and was replaced by Lt. Col. W. A. Worton, who was Fox's Company Commander in the World War. We welcome the Colonel back to the Second Battalion.

COMPANY E, 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines, after a hard long training period is on the go again, this time for a period of training aboard ship, which I can assure you will be taken as a pleasure cruise. Not only is this a change for the men but an adventure which many of them always wanted, to do a little sea going.

We learned plenty new things aboard ship, and life on a ship in general which is something everyone should know. As we are now just getting underway and our cruise just starting I cannot tell you much as yet, but I can assure you as the time sails on we will be having a good time and learning new routines and accomplishing tasks which come before us in our everyday problems.

We as members of Company "E" would like to take this opportunity to welcome to this organization, our new Commanding Officer, Thomas E. Williams, 2nd Lt., USMCR, formerly of "HQ" Co. of this unit. He is to fill the shoes of Captain William J. Wise, who was detached to H & S Co. of the Sixth Marines. From every member of this organization I assure you he will be given all the cooperation in the world.

A week of training in the correct and incorrect method of landing from small boats, in a mild surf, on a sandy beach, (San Clemente Island) and all hands of **COMPANY F**, 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines, feel like old salts. However, that mythical being "Mal de mer" gained many new and unexpected converts. The entire trip was a decided success, after it was over, but many of the men are looking glum when they hear the news that we will du-

plicate the trip with embellishments the latter part of this month.

Company "F" is again the proud possessor of a new Skipper. First Lieutenant Richard C. Nutting took over the reins of command on the 5th of May, thereby gaining the name of being the most overworked officer of the Battalion, he being Bn-4 and Bn Mess Officer in addition to commanding the company.

This company, which had a strength of nearly one hundred sixty last December dropped to under eighty this month. However, a small detail from Recruit Depot built us up to eighty-six. Though we hope to be filled up to strength soon we are glad to have the new arrivals with us and hope that they have an enjoyable tour in the FMF.

We of **COMPANY G**, 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines, 2nd Marine Division, can boast of being old salts, as we just returned from a trip to San Clemente Island, which for many of us was our first sea voyage.

We all wish to welcome First Sergeant James B. Bunch to our company. He has already proven to be one regular fellow. While we are in this mood let us welcome the new recruits who have joined us in the past two weeks. They are Privates Beardaly, Bendixsen, Christianson, Daniel, Doherty, Hamilton, Madding, Oliver, Thayer and Wilson.

The cigars were plentiful in this company with all of our promotions. Those promoted to Corporal were: Harold J. Cardwell, William V. Crabb and Peter J. Renzo; those promoted to Private First Class were: L. R. Cain, Jr., W. S. Hymel, D. G. Kostmayer, L. R. Trocquet, Jr., W. C. Cross, C. D. Johnson, R. H. Martens, F. J. McGrath, L. F. Mensch, W. L. Moke, S. E. Murphy, W. H. Springman, J. H. Vana-sek, J. W. Wagner, W. A. Waldeck, and J. S. Woodward.

We are glad to have Lieutenant James P. Tharp back with us. Welcome sir!! We were sorry to lose Lieutenant William N. Loftin. We all hope to see you back with us in the near future sir! Lt. Loftin is now serving with the Communication Platoon.

COMPANY H, 2nd Battalion, Sixth Marines, is still pounding the duck walks at Camp Elliott. The weather has been rather sunny lately, and the fellows are really tanning.

We have had a number of promotions during the last few weeks. Corporal Augustus H. Winchester, has donned another stripe, so I guess we shall call him Sergeant from now on. One lad claimed that he would place a sack of Bull Durham on the bulletin board so everyone could roll a cigarette the day he made Corporal. Well, anyway, Corporal Doseh treated us to cigars — he must have forgotten all about that sack of Bull.



San Diego Marines, in full battle garb, return from their gruelling 180-mile hike

And now we have the lads who made their first step to success, and who are now wearing one stripe: Pfc. Borschowa, Clay, Crofford, Erb, Harris, Hetzel, Jackson, Knuppel, Lee, Marboe, Mason, Moser, Oien, Pitchford, Price, Skeffington, Strojek, Tedrow, Wold, Bagur, Bruce, Freudenstein, Gardner, Juncker, McCarthy, McGowan, Montalbano, Schillei, and Virgets.

Sadness is introduced into the news of **HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE COMPANY, EIGHTH MARINES**, for the first time by the announcement of the death of Staff Sergeant Robert M. Baird on May 20th. Baird, a fine Marine, liked by every man in the company, went to the Naval Hospital on April 18th with pneumonia, just a few days after his promotion to staff rank. He whipped the first disease, but couldn't defeat the complications which set in. We all miss him, and through this story we extend our sincerest regrets to his family and loved ones.

Our company article was missing from these pages last month, mainly due to that 180-mile hike you've no doubt heard about, the job that put the Eighth Marines on the front pages of nationwide newspapers and in the newsreels. Not that the hike, maneuvers, and such tired us and caused us to lose interest in this chore; far from it. We just didn't have the time. And that's the reason why this dope sheet will be longer than usual.

About the hike: there were sore feet aplenty, aches and pains appeared in heretofore unexplored portions of our anatomy, we bathed seldom and there was question as to whether we were Marines or a herd of goats, but we made it all and we enjoyed every last inch of it, all of us. We sang silly songs and told sillier stories, and when we hit San Diego on the return we gave the tax-payers something to look at. What's more, there'd be no growls if we started off on another.

In these past two months there have been promotions, transfers, joinings, discharges and other items of interest to fill up a page or more. To start with promotions and forget about the rest because of lack of space, here are the new Sergeants: Verner E. Austin, Charles E. Endsley, Graydon H. Kaeding, and Harry D. Varlie. Corporals: James G. Cook, Elwyn E. Freese, Henry G. Hooper, Warren H. Jones, and Sheldon Lindquist. Private First Class: Charles O. Johnson, William R. Beernink, Earl E. Butler, Harry C. Ahlstrom, Evan J. Hansen, Bertram H. Pryor, Harold W. Hamalain, James R. Lauretig, Ben D. Liberacki, Peter M. Guarria, and Roy H. Elrod. Up to Hospital Apprentice First Class went Lawrence M. Hinds; last, but far from being least, we now address Dale Martin as "Gunny" rather than "Jeeber" but he hasn't yet taken on the "old-folks'" outlook.

Well—even the list did include your reporter—congratulations to all hands. You wouldn't have made it if you hadn't rated it; thanks for the beer and cigars, and many happy returns of the day.

What with the transfer and all, the outfit has shrunk a little more than somewhat. To give you an idea, here's a report: a joker, usually considered of doubtful humor, pinned to the Anti-Tank platoon's door two signs. They read, **ANTI-TANK SQUAD AND FURNISHED APARTMENT TO LET**. We number now just 9 officers, 3 warrant, 112 enlisted.



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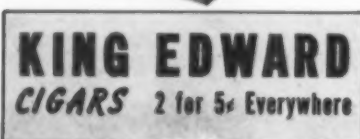
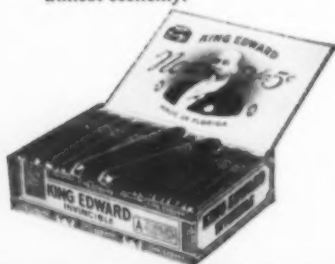
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Well, here is **HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, FIRST BATTALION, 8TH MARINES**, back at the barracks having completed successfully a one hundred and eighty mile hike through blistering deserts, over foggy mountain tops, along rutted pack trails, and up virtually perpendicular hills.

We are alive and well to tell about it. As a matter of fact the only casualties incurred were foot troubles which by this time are for the most part forgotten. The hike started the 21st of April from the Marine Corps Base here in San Diego, and the first day took us several miles past Camp Elliott where we encamped for the night, nursed our feet, and ruefully regarded the remainder of the hike yet to come. The following morning we headed out for Lake Hodges where we arrived without much trouble early that afternoon. From then on we were told the pull would be a little tougher, and it was.

On the third day we arrived at Ramona and stayed over a day. The day we arrived was pay-day and that night the entire regiment was given liberty to go into Ramona. The town was taken by storm, and by eight o'clock that same evening there wasn't a thing left to eat or drink in the whole town. The people were very happy about the whole thing considering we had left about \$10,000 cash there in a period of 24 hours, and they overlooked the fact that we might not have been the most perfect gentlemen at all times. At that the boys behaved very well, and, honestly, during the whole hike as well as at Ramona no one complained and no one had any cause to complain about our actions.

From Ramona we went up hill and down hill twenty-three endless miles to Lake Henshaw. The next day was Saturday, and we took off for Banner where we encamped over Sunday and held our Regimental Barbecue for the Officers and men and their guests. That was a great day as we rested and ate barbecued ham, spare ribs, and beef roasted over a pit of hot coals. Well fed we started out the next day up Banner Grade, by far the toughest grind of them all. Pathe, Eyes of the World News, was photographing us as we climbed 3,000 feet and walked 16 miles. They recorded us singing and climbing, and here's hoping the pain most of us felt didn't register for the camera.

The rest of the hike through Cuyamaca Rancho State Park, Japatal Valley, and Dehesa was easier and the scenery was great. The 2nd of May we walked through San Diego and back to the Base. A goodly crowd was out to see us, and from their demonstration we felt as though they thought we had done something. The boys were all heard to exclaim that the hike was nothing at all and that they would be glad to do it again any time at all. They further conceded that the trip was educational as they had seen country a good many of them didn't know existed. Everybody who started the hike finished with his tail well up and in the pink of good physical condition.

Since Cuyamaca we have been going on a hike one day each week in order to keep in condition with the result we feel well qualified to challenge all comers to a hike of any distance.

After the Cuyamaca jaunt we were all given seventy-two hour liberties as a reward. Things were upset for a while, but now they are all running smoothly again. "Never a dull moment" is getting to be our slogan.

May 2nd we received word that a few promotions were to be passed around. The rumor held good and Private First Class Ellison was promoted to Corporal. Privates William Engstrom, Bill Croyle, Em-

mett Douglass, Jr., John Erickson, and Thomas Ciszek, all of the Marine Corps Reserve were promoted to Private First Class. Privates Edward Tharaldson and Manuel Garcia of the Regular Marine Corps were also promoted to Private First Class along with Private Ralph Rosacker, who has since left us to go to the Marine School of Photography at Quantico, Virginia.

Our Lieutenant Colonel Hart, who by the way led us on foot every inch of the Cuyamaca Hike, left us on May 8, to go to Headquarters, Marine Corps, Washington, D. C. We were all sorry to see him go because we know he has helped to make the Eighth Marines an organization for us to be proud of. Captain Games formerly of "C" company has replaced Colonel Hart as Commanding Officer of the First Battalion. First Lieutenant Thomas, our Company Commander, who led us along with Colonel Hart was detached on May 21st to go aboard the USS "Helena." That he was well liked was attested to by the fact that many of the men put in for the detachment to go with him. He is being replaced as Company Commander by First Lieutenant H. R. Nusbaum of the Marine Corps Reserve who was with "B" Company of this Battalion until his transfer.

Well here is old **COMPANY A**, First Battalion, Eighth Marines. Things have been going on about the same as usual, except for a few changes.

We now have Lieutenant Wendell W. Andrews as our Company Commander, and Charles O. Brannon as Top Sergeant. We joined six new men from Recruit Depot. They were Pvt. Jack Caples, Pvt. Fred A. Dupree, Pvt. William E. Florence, Pvt. Robert Ford, Pvt. Norman L. Porter, and Pvt. Merrill M. Steeb.

There were quite a few promotions during the past month. Twenty-two privates were promoted to Private First Class. Corporal Robert L. Canham has been promoted to Sergeant. Ack Ernest S. Arnold has been promoted to Field Cook. Field Cook Ralph J. Ashmore has made Chief Cook.

We were sorry to see Corporal Otis B. Brooks and Private Waldo J. Roberts go to the USNH, but we expect them back very soon.

Private Robert E. Courtney, of Spokane, Washington, has been discharged and is now at home. Private James J. Hill has been discharged on a Medical. Sergeant Howard E. Coe was also discharged on expiration of enlistment.

This report finds **COMPANY B**, 1st Battalion, 8th Marines, settling down to normal routine again after spending two weeks on the Cuyamaca Hike in San Diego County. We were all glad to see the base again, but now that it is over, none of us would have wanted to miss it. A lot of good training and experience was gained in those two weeks. We all have a slight idea of what actual conditions would be like.

Twenty-two of our boys are sporting nice, new, shiny Pfc. stripes, and two others have new corporal stripes. Our company clerk can now wear that suit of corporal's blues that he has been cherishing for so long. Next payday should bring out a few cigars or bottles of beer, I hope.

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Designation	Location	Length of Course	Term Begins	Number of Students	Necessary Qualifications
ORDNANCE SCHOOL Ammunition course	Quantico, Virginia	3 mo.	1 July 1941 & continuous thereafter	7 per course	Sergeant or below; 2 years to serve; mechanical ability or experience in handling ammunition.
Artillery Course	Quantico, Virginia	3 mo.		22 per course	Sergeants or below; 2 years to serve; artillery mechanical experience.
Instrument Repair Course	Quantico, Virginia	3 mo.		8 per course	Sergeants or below; 2 years to serve; mechanical ability or experience with fire control instruments.
QUARTERMASTER SCHOOL OF ADMINISTRATION	Depot of Supplies, Phila. Pa.	4 mo.	1 Mar. 1 Jul. 1 Nov.	30 per course	Private or PFC; good record; no dependents; 2 years to serve after graduated.
RADIO MATERIEL SCHOOL	Washington, D. C.	8 mo.	Varies	15 per course	Communication personnel or aviation personnel; graduates of Radio Operators or Telephone School; ability to pass entrance exam; 3 years to serve.
RADIO OPERATORS SCHOOL	Quantico and San Diego	12 wks. and 20 wks.	Continuous	According to direction of the MGC	Good record; aptitude for radio; ability to pass entrance examination; 3 years to serve.
SPERRY GYROSCOPE CORP. SCHOOL AA Director Course	Brooklyn, New York	4 wks.	1st of ea. mo.	No limit	Graduate of Army or Navy Fire Control School; high school or equivalent education; thorough knowledge of electricity; 2 years to serve.
Searchlight & Sound Locator Course	Brooklyn, New York	4 wks.	1st of ea. mo.	No limit	
TELEPHONE ELEC- TRICIANS SCHOOL	Quantico, Virginia	6 mo.	Jan. and July	20 per course	Communication personnel; good record; graduates of Radio Operators or Field Telephone School; ability to pass entrance exam; 3 years to serve.

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COOKS AND BAKERS SCHOOL	MB, Parris Is., S. C. MCB, San Diego, Cal.	8 wks.	1st of each month	25 minimum each school per course	Private or PFC, with experience or schooling as cooks or bakers.
ENGINEER SCHOOL Water Purification Course	Ft. Belvoir, Virginia	3 mo.	Varies	1 per course	NCO with 2 years to serve after completion of course; proficiency in elementary arithmetic and use of formulas; with aptitude for or experience in electrical and mechanical work.
Heavy Mechanical Equipment Course.	Ft. Belvoir, Virginia	3 mo.	Varies	1 per course	
Surveying Course	Ft. Belvoir, Virginia	3 mo.	Varies	1 per course	NCO with 2 years to serve after completion of course; proficiency in arithmetic, algebra through quadratics; working knowledge of the elementary properties of plane figures; aptitude for drafting.
Drafting Course	Ft. Belvoir, Virginia	3 mo.	Varies	1 per course	
Map Reproduction & Photography Course	Ft. Belvoir, Virginia	3 mo.	Varies	1 per course	NCO with 2 years to serve after completion of course; proficiency in elementary arithmetic and use of formulas; with aptitude for or experience in photographers work.
ENGINEER SCHOOL Water Distillation Course	Quantico, Virginia	1 mo.	1 June 1 July 1 Aug. etc.	10 per course	
Refrigeration Course	Quantico, Virginia	1 mo.	1 June 1 July etc.	10 per course	Sergeants or below; 2 years to serve; with experience or aptitude for a particular course.
Demolitions Course	Quantico, Virginia	1 mo.	1 June etc.	6 per course	
Camouflage Course	Quantico, Virginia	1 mo.	1 June etc.	4 per course	

COURSES AND SCHOOLS FOR ENLISTED MEN

Schools

Designation	Location	Length of Course	Term	Number of Students	Necessary Qualifications
AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR SCHOOL	Dundee, Fla.	4 to 6 weeks	1 Feb. to 1 May	48 to 100	Sergeants or below; 2 years to serve; mechanical ability or boat experience.
ARMORED FORCE SCHOOL	Ft. Knox, Kentucky	3 mo.	1 Aug. to 1 Nov.	20 per year	Sergeants or below; 2 years to serve; 2 years high school or equivalent education; no dependents; mechanical ability.
Wheeled Vehicle Course	Ft. Knox, Kentucky	3 mo.	1 Aug. to 1 Nov.	20 per year	Sergeants or below; 2 years to serve; 2 years high school or equivalent education; no dependents; mechanical ability.
Gunnery Course	Ft. Knox, Kentucky	3 wks.	Varies	8 per year	Graduate of Tank School, plus qualifications listed above.
Motorcyclists Course	Ft. Knox, Kentucky	2 wks.	1st and 15th of ea. mo.	8 per year	Private or PFC; Graduate of Wheeled Vehicle Course; Good record; mechanical ability.
ARMORERS SCHOOL (Small Arms)	Depot of Supplies, Phila., Penn.	4 mo.	1 Apr. to 1 Aug.	24 per course	Corporal or below; 2 years high school or equivalent education; mature age; Good record; mechanical ability; 2 years to serve.
AUTOMATIC ELECTRIC SCHOOL	Chicago, Illinois	3 mo.	Varies	3 per course	(Communication personnel; graduates of Field Telephone School; 3 years to serve.
BARRAGE BALLOON SCHOOL	Parris Island, S. C.	6 mo.	1 Feb. to 1 Aug.	15 per course	Sergeants or below; Good record; no dependents; 2 years to serve; 1 year's service prior to enrollment.
CLERICAL SCHOOL	MB, NYD, Phila., Pa.	3 mo.	1 Aug. to 1 Nov.	15 per course	Sergeants or below; Good record; no dependents; 2 years to serve; 1 year's service prior to enrollment.
Typist Course (Co. Clk.)	MB, NYD, Phila., Pa.	3 mo.	1 Aug. to 1 Nov.	15 per course	Sergeants or below; Good record; no dependents; 2 years to serve; 1 year's service prior to enrollment.

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Schools

Designation	Location	Length of Course	Term	Number of Students	Necessary Qualifications
FIRE CONTROL SCHOOL	Wash., D. C.	24 wks.	1st of ea. mo.	5 per month	Good record; Graduate of a primary Fire Control School; basic knowledge of simple arithmetic and algebra; elementary theory of electricity; fundamental theory of fire control; 2 years to serve.
FIELD TELEPHONE SCHOOL	Quantico and San Diego	6 wks.	Continued	No limit	Good record; aptitude for telephone work; ability to pass entrance examination; 3 years to serve.
MOTOR TRANSPORT SCHOOL	Depot of Supplies, Phila., Pa.	4 mo.	15 July to 15 Nov.	15 per course	Corporal or below; mechanical aptitude; Good record; no dependents; 2 years to serve after graduation.
MOTOR TRANSPORT SCHOOL	Quantico, Virginia	3 mo.	1 June 1941 & thereafter	30 per course	Corporal or below; 2 years to serve; mechanical ability or mechanical experience.
Vehicle Operators Course	Quantico, Virginia	2 wks.	1 June 1941 & continuous thereafter	10 per course	Private or PFC; 2 years to serve; mechanical ability or experience.
NAVAL ACADEMY PRE-NAVATORY CLASS	NTS, Norfolk, Virginia	7 mo.	1 Oct. thereafter	No limit	Must be of officer caliber; citizen of U. S.; 1 year of service (9 months sea) by 1 July in year examination is held; not less than 17 nor more than 21 years of age on 1 April of that year; minimum of 3 years high school or equivalent education; must pass preliminary exam; conducted about 1 July each year; and must pass required physical examination.
OPTICAL SCHOOL	Wash., D. C.	6 wks.	1 Jan. & cont'd thereafter	8 per year	2 years high school or equivalent education; Good record; mechanical ability; 2 years to serve.
Optical Instrument Course—(Tele. instruments, scope, range finder, & other instruments.)	Wash., D. C.	24 wks.	15 Jan. to 15 Jul.	6 per course	2 years high school or equivalent education; Good record; mechanical ability; 2 years to serve.
Optical Instrument Course—(Maintenance & repair.)	Wash., D. C.	24 wks.	15 Jan. to 15 Jul.	6 per course	2 years high school or equivalent education; Good record; mechanical ability; 2 years to serve.

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MASTER GUNNERY SERGEANTS' PROMOTION LIST

1. Osborn, Frederick V.	1st Sgt.	31. Beckett, Henry J. W.	Gy. Sgt.
2. Whiteside, Madison C.	Gy. Sgt.	32. Barnhill, Sidney H.	Gy. Sgt.
3. Bockhe, Stephen	Gy. Sgt.	33. Ruiz, Eugene J.	Gy. Sgt.
4. Bradford, Paul C.	Gy. Sgt.	34. Aycoth, John E.	Gy. Sgt.
5. Hacker, Frederick	Gy. Sgt.	35. Carden, Harvey B.	Gy. Sgt.
6. Olmstead, James N.	Gy. Sgt.	36. Beardin, William L.	Gy. Sgt.
7. Tillman, Nolan	Sgt. Maj.	37. Jensen, Albert L.	Gy. Sgt.
8. Wolfgang, Henry F.	Gy. Sgt.	38. Withers, Sam W.	Gy. Sgt.
9. Nixon, Edward	Gy. Sgt.	39. Marvin, Milton C.	Gy. Sgt.
10. Spart, Gust	Gy. Sgt.	40. Donnelly, John	Gy. Sgt.
11. Voyten, Frank	Gy. Sgt.	41. Meeks, Loyd C.	1st Sgt.
12. Kuhar, John	Gy. Sgt.	42. Johnson, Carl E.	Gy. Sgt.
13. Monteith, George W.	Gy. Sgt.	43. Smith, Jobe F.	Gy. Sgt.
14. Davenport, Floyd T.	Gy. Sgt.	44. Mortensen, Stanley W.	Gy. Sgt.
15. Lowery, Thomas O.	Gy. Sgt.	45. Stone, Walter J.	Gy. Sgt.
16. Hull, John W. E.	Gy. Sgt.	46. Lemons, Johnie G.	Gy. Sgt.
17. Hudder, Harry E.	Gy. Sgt.	47. Hackman, Clifford R.	Gy. Sgt.
18. Harris, William B.	Gy. Sgt.	48. Mirick, Gerald De W.	Gy. Sgt.
19. Hansen, Julius N., Jr.	Gy. Sgt.	49. Slusser, John H.	1st Sgt.
20. Jefferies, George E. (Res.)	Gy. Sgt.	50. Haynes, Carl	Gy. Sgt.
21. Cerny, Anthony J.	Gy. Sgt.	51. Ewton, Hascal LeR.	Gy. Sgt.
22. Smith, Lincoln	Gy. Sgt.	52. Hutcheroff, Harry D.	Gy. Sgt.
23. Thomson, Kenneth L.	Gy. Sgt.	53. Crapater, George A.	Gy. Sgt.
24. Madison, Talmage S.	Gy. Sgt.	54. Ellis, Clifford L.	Gy. Sgt.
25. Raines, Carl	Gy. Sgt.	55. Slocum, Samuel L.	Gy. Sgt.
26. Mason, Frank L.	Gy. Sgt.	56. Plantier, George S.	Gy. Sgt.
27. Lange, Carl L.	Gy. Sgt.	57. Berueffy, Max, Jr.	Gy. Sgt.
28. Wilkinson, Harles L.	Gy. Sgt.	58. Stark, Porter W.	Gy. Sgt.
29. Lavoie, George J.	Gy. Sgt.	59. Michael, Paul R.	Gy. Sgt.
30. Wiseman, Earl F.	Gy. Sgt.	60. Barrier, Thurman E.	Gy. Sgt.

PROMOTION LIST, MESS BRANCH
For Master Technical Sergeant (Mess)

1. Pedersen, Jens	Tech. Sgt.	2. Akin, Lawrence	Tech. Sgt.
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For Technical Sergeant (Mess)

1. Fowler, Obert	Staff Sgt.	9. Kucharski, Edmund	Staff Sgt.
2. Lonaby, John	Staff Sgt.	10. Shrun, Cecil C.	Staff Sgt.
3. Nemeth, Joseph F.	Staff Sgt.	11. Burgess, Ralph W.	Staff Sgt.
4. Kubick, Frank C.	Staff Sgt.	12. Scheinost, Edward J.	Staff Sgt.
5. Wells, Paul J.	Staff Sgt.	13. Ellis, Chesley A.	Staff Sgt.
6. Grill, Frank	Staff Sgt.	14. Sharp, John W.	Staff Sgt.
7. Kane, Henry	Staff Sgt.	15. Baldassare, Silvio F. (Res.)	Staff Sgt.
8. Graves, John F.	Staff Sgt.		

For Staff Sergeant (Mess)

1. Smith, Raymond E.	Mess Sgt.	13. Ausman, George E.	Mess Sgt.
2. Erpelting, George H.	Mess Sgt.	14. Tjaden, Clayton H.	Mess Sgt.
3. Brown, Verne H.	Mess Sgt.	15. Andrews, John J.	Mess Sgt.
4. Woodward, Floyd T. (Res.)	Mess Sgt.	16. Kaping, Wilbert H.	Mess Sgt.
5. McGraw, Robert E.	Mess Sgt.	17. Wilson, Robert W.	Mess Sgt.
6. Hriszko, George M.	Mess Sgt.	18. Iles, Lee S.	Mess Sgt.
7. Johnson, Ralph E.	Mess Sgt.	19. Stewart, Robey C.	Mess Sgt.
8. Preneer, Paul J.	Mess Sgt.	20. Ewing, James L.	Mess Sgt.
9. Brubaker, Roy A.	Mess Sgt.	21. Carr, Gerald J.	Mess Sgt.
10. Ballinger, Vaughn G.	Mess Sgt.	22. Tireman, Claude K.	Mess Sgt.
11. Smith, Charles W.	Mess Sgt.	23. Di Geronimo, Angelo	Mess Sgt.
12. Brooks, Russell	Mess Sgt.	24. Mattingly, Earl H.	Mess Sgt.
		25. Stevens, Earl E.	Mess Sgt.

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123. Wood, Cecil L.	Pl. Sgt.	137. Walker, James A.	Pl. Sgt.
124. Frazier, Emert L.	Pl. Sgt.	138. Brown, Victor F.	Pl. Sgt.
125. Anderson, Einer A.	Pl. Sgt.	139. Phinney, Waldo A.	Pl. Sgt.
126. Oderman, Leonard A.	Pl. Sgt.	140. Eaby, Albert W.	Pl. Sgt.
127. Gibb, Ralph H.	1st Sgt.	141. Edwards, George R.	Pl. Sgt.
128. Watkins, Homer L.	Pl. Sgt.	142. De La Hunt, Rames E.	Pl. Sgt.
129. Smith, Cromer W.	Pl. Sgt.	143. De La Hunt, Rames O.	Pl. Sgt.
130. Wehrly, Hugh L.	Pl. Sgt.	144. Carney, William J.	Pl. Sgt.
131. Thomas, Adam	Pl. Sgt.	145. Ciulla, Charles C.	Pl. Sgt.
132. Todd, Henry P.	Pl. Sgt.	146. Galloway, James B.	Pl. Sgt.
133. Wood, Victor O.	Pl. Sgt.	147. Dudley, William A.	Pl. Sgt.
134. Callis, Andrew C.	Pl. Sgt.	148. McGrew, David R., Jr.	Pl. Sgt.
135. Lawrence, Aldwin B.	Pl. Sgt.	149. Einstein, Henry B.	Pl. Sgt.
136. Conary, Chester E.	Pl. Sgt.	150. Clay, Harry H.	Pl. Sgt.

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1. Mann, Horace E.	Pl. Sgt.	62. Knuth, Frederick W.	Pl. Sgt.
2. Purdum, Ray	Pl. Sgt.	63. Smith, Robert H., Jr.	Pl. Sgt.
3. Rawley, John J.	Pl. Sgt.	64. King, Thomas A.	Pl. Sgt.
4. Lorenz, Charles	Pl. Sgt.	65. Christian, Harold F.	Pl. Sgt.
5. Ivins, Marvin N.	Pl. Sgt.	66. Lafferty, Hubert D.	Pl. Sgt.
6. June, Truman L.	Pl. Sgt.	67. Belon, Marc C.	Pl. Sgt.
7. Hopkins, Ivan M.	Pl. Sgt.	68. Thnar, Curtis F.	Pl. Sgt.
8. Cushman, Fred E.	Pl. Sgt.	69. Land, John G.	Pl. Sgt.
9. Mudgett, Carson	Pl. Sgt.	70. Thomas, Weisner F.	Pl. Sgt.
10. Beardsley, Horace L.	Pl. Sgt.	71. Bulkowski, Stanley P.	Pl. Sgt.
11. Harris, James J.	Pl. Sgt.	72. Ritchie, Dayton S.	Pl. Sgt.
12. Gagner, Albert	Pl. Sgt.	73. Disco, Steve	Pl. Sgt.
13. McNutt, Wesley D.	Pl. Sgt.	74. Long, William T., Jr.	Pl. Sgt.
14. Marcus, Enrique D.	Pl. Sgt.	75. Peel, James L.	Pl. Sgt.
15. Reynolds, Eckie E.	Pl. Sgt.	76. Mason, Taylor P.	Pl. Sgt.
16. Criswell, Charles F.	Pl. Sgt.	77. Marshall, William E.	Pl. Sgt.
17. King, Harvey	Pl. Sgt.	78. Harrison, Willie S.	Pl. Sgt.
18. Goff, "Jr" "D"	Pl. Sgt.	79. Thomas, Harold J.	Pl. Sgt.
19. Carney, Ira D.	Pl. Sgt.	80. Wright, Johnson E.	Pl. Sgt.
20. Kravitz, Valentine J.	Pl. Sgt.	81. Gillis, Lauchlin McN.	Pl. Sgt.
21. Wauderly, Albert H.	Pl. Sgt.	82. Broadus, Junior B.	Pl. Sgt.
22. Olson, Melvin C.	Pl. Sgt.	83. Kuhl, Edgar F.	Pl. Sgt.
23. Edwards, Ezra (R)	Pl. Sgt.	84. Kelly, Frank J.	Pl. Sgt.
24. LaPointe, Adrian J.	Pl. Sgt.	85. Vanscooter, Alfred E.	Pl. Sgt.
25. Paul, George E.	Pl. Sgt.	86. Hart, Paul L.	Pl. Sgt.
26. Humbley, Charles G.	Pl. Sgt.	87. Jossen, Ernest J.	Pl. Sgt.
27. Vlach, Joseph J.	Pl. Sgt.	88. Horyan, Charley	Pl. Sgt.
28. Frantum, Frank H.	Pl. Sgt.	89. Jason, Stanley T.	Pl. Sgt.
29. Borgeson, Eric H.	Pl. Sgt.	90. Rayner, Luther V.	Pl. Sgt.
30. May, Coma	Pl. Sgt.	91. Theodorson, Orel G.	Pl. Sgt.
31. Parker, Larry D.	Pl. Sgt.	92. Pratt, Gordon W.	Pl. Sgt.
32. Betwell, William T.	Pl. Sgt.	93. Foster, Claude O.	Pl. Sgt.
33. Vartov, John J.	Pl. Sgt.	94. Smutski, Walter	Pl. Sgt.
34. Holley, Louis M.	Pl. Sgt.	95. Sealey, Armon J.	Pl. Sgt.
35. Chapin, Thomas J.	Pl. Sgt.	96. Conner, Carl C.	Pl. Sgt.
36. Bartoszek, Victor J.	Pl. Sgt.	97. Sparling, Wilson H.	Pl. Sgt.
37. Belovich, Marko G.	Pl. Sgt.	98. Derrick, Ernest B.	Pl. Sgt.
38. Hines, Paul B.	Pl. Sgt.	99. Christenot, Charles R.	Pl. Sgt.
39. O'Shea, John J.	Pl. Sgt.	100. Wilhoit, Gerald W.	Pl. Sgt.
40. Kellogg, Howard R.	Pl. Sgt.	101. Kether, Bernard O.	Pl. Sgt.
41. Jaroszewski, John A.	Pl. Sgt.	102. Moore, Floyd E.	Pl. Sgt.
42. O'Connor, Eugene A.	Pl. Sgt.	103. Latimer, Byron	Pl. Sgt.
43. Price, Leonard C.	Pl. Sgt.	104. Liveberger, Charles "K"	Pl. Sgt.
44. Stainbrook, Wallace K.	Pl. Sgt.	105. Miller, Francis L.	Pl. Sgt.
45. Beck, William D.	Pl. Sgt.	106. Owens, Hugh B.	Pl. Sgt.
46. Townsley, Embler	Pl. Sgt.	107. Oliver, Charley M.	Pl. Sgt.
47. Pentreath, Eugene R.	Pl. Sgt.	108. Nielsen, Carl A.	Pl. Sgt.
48. Kinell, Stanley I. S.	Pl. Sgt.	109. Rothfus, Raymond A.	Pl. Sgt.
49. Carter, Edward J.	Pl. Sgt.	110. Harrison, Paul H.	Pl. Sgt.
50. Haynes, Cecil O.	Pl. Sgt.	111. Rolland, Spencer H.	Pl. Sgt.
51. Whymnught, Clifford D.	Pl. Sgt.	112. Murphy, Francis J.	Pl. Sgt.
52. Hebert, Ivey	Pl. Sgt.	113. Reynolds, Robert E.	Pl. Sgt.
53. Via, Cleo T.	Pl. Sgt.	114. Augustesen, Walter E.	Pl. Sgt.
54. Robinson, Otto F.	Pl. Sgt.	115. Shadoun, Oran L.	Pl. Sgt.
55. Johnson, Joseph E.	Pl. Sgt.	116. Hicks, Aubrey T.	Pl. Sgt.
56. Henderson, Luke M.	Pl. Sgt.	117. Triplett, Roy P.	Pl. Sgt.
57. Tanguay, Stephen F.	Pl. Sgt.	118. Wilson, Burl	Pl. Sgt.
58. Kallink, Clotis B.	Pl. Sgt.	119. Compton, Arthur A.	Pl. Sgt.
59. Poe, William C.	Pl. Sgt.	120. Sprowls, Theodore M.	Pl. Sgt.
60. Peack, Charles J.	Pl. Sgt.	121. Weaver, Oscar B.	Pl. Sgt.
61. Zucker, Abraham	Pl. Sgt.	122. Dunkle, Everett B.	Pl. Sgt.

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We are all sorry to hear that our company Commander, 1st Lieut. H. R. Nusbaum, is leaving us to take over the duties of battalion adjutant, but, knowing that it is an advancement to him, we offer our sincere congratulations and "good luck" in his new job. 2nd Lieut. William E. Cullen, who has been with our company for some time, will be our new company commander.

This company is glad to welcome the new fellows from Recruit Depot. That gives our company strength a little boost, but we could still use a few more.

A rumor is making the rounds that our First Sergeant, Wm. H. Ruth, will be passing out cigars after he returns from his leave.

Here we are again. Good old **COMPANY C**, 1st Battalion, 8th Marines, gasping out a few syllables for the education of the readers of this great mag.

We are all sort of out of breath after 180 miles of hiking through the San Diego, Calif., back country. And take it from us, it was way, way back. Glad to report that "C" company averaged most miles per man for the first Battalion.

Sad sight of a few morn's back was the right honorable Master Gunnery Sergeant Emil W. Riggs. Recovering his warrant the other day, he "took off at High port" and wasn't heard from 'till the following morning. A couple of red rimmed eyes were mute testimony that the long-awaited and well deserved promotion had been very well celebrated. Seriously, though, we all congratulate you "Gunny." You really earned it.

Six new and shining faces made their appearance in the Boudoirs the other morning, and the "boots" were well received. They all look like good prospects.

The whole gang was sorry to lose a good skipper. Capt. Games has taken over command of the Bn., and although he will be ably replaced by Lieut. Hurst, we will all miss him.

Got all dressed up and taken to Camp Elliott for a parade in front of eleven South American Naval attaches last week. It was a good show, and our South American friends seemed to appreciate it.

Lots of promotions this past month. Too many to name, but there are 22 happy Pfes. and one new Corporal in this company at the present time. Incidentally, more cigars are expected to be handed out in the very near future.

Here is **COMPANY D**, 1st Battalion, 8th Marines, still ready, willing and able to sound off again, even though we have just returned from that grueling 180 mile Cuyamaca hike, which carried us some 5,000 feet above sea level. Much to our surprise, the hike turned out to be lots of fun, as well as a military success. We are gloating over our stamina (which is second to none in the regiment) and are proud to say that on our best day it carried us 23 miles over rough terrain. We hereby challenge any organization to compare with this record. Notice: We aren't asking you to beat us, only to compare with us for if you even compare you are a good outfit—body and soul.

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The last few weeks quite a few cigars have been passed around as rates have been flying around in droves. This company alone rated 46 Pfes., 7 Corporals, and 3 Sergeants. We wish all of these guys more success and faster promotions in the near future.

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, 2ND BATTALION, 8TH MARINES, reporting. Back to barracks routine after the 180 mile Cuyamaca hike. We look back with pleasure and stick out our chests over the splendid showing we made; every man came through with flying colors.

Captain Max Clark was detached to China on the 12th of May, and since his departure, the company has been under the able command of Lieutenant W. C. Moore.

Discharged this month were Corporal Leslie T. (Tubby) Winters, Jr., Private First Class Albert G. Lasch, and Privates Heiman F. Jones and James D. Christian. Good luck men and don't get caught in the draft.

Transferred were Sup-Sgt. Donald C. Gordon to 3rd Battalion, Eighth Marines, and Corporal Robert F. Mayne to H&S.

Promoted this month were M-Corp. James S. Gill to M-Sgt.; Pfc. Louis O. Hudson to Ch-Ck.; Pfc. James H. Sisson to Corp., and Privates John A. Adams, William E. Salvadori, Robert L. Daniels, Robert S. Grimes, Carl W. McKee, J. C. Owens and Charles B. Willis to Private First Class. Congratulations men, keep up the good work.

COMPANY E, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, recently had occasion to welcome to our ranks another top notch officer, fresh from sea-duty aboard the USS "Astoria." Welcome Second Lieutenant Martin E. W. Oelrich, may your stay be long and pleasant, and all that sort of stuff. Speaking of joining the company, common rumor has it that we will join 70 recruits within the month; and that, fellow Leathernecks, is just one more reason why top sergeants have grey hair.

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Credit must be given to all hands for a hike well done. Pike's Peak is just a foothill compared to some of those "akyscrapers" we went over. The Eighth Marines started out singing and ended up still singing; in fact, even 1st Sgt. Williams was singing the "Eyes of Texas Are Upon Me" when he returned.

New members joining this company this month were: Pvt. Francis C. Ammerman, Pvt. William J. Bishop, and Pvt. Charles H. Carter, all from 2nd Recruit Bn., Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif. Glad to have you fellows and we hope you will enjoy your stay here in this company.

All news from **COMPANY G**, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, this month concerns the 12-day hike in which our company, being a part of the Eighth Regiment, participated. The hike covered a distance of 180 miles. The company left the base anxious and ready to go the 21st day of April. Some of the things noticed was the care given the men by the officers and NCO's of the company. The results were not a single casualty throughout the entire hike.

Our Company Commander, Captain Lloyd, was transferred to Hq. 2nd Bn.; his place is being filled by 2nd Lieut. Roise. We all wish each of them good luck in their new positions.

The following men were transferred to Asiatic stations: Pfc's. Eby, R. L., Gilles, W. N., Mott, C. T., and Thomas, J. A.; Privates Taylor, R. E., and Miller, R. W. Corporal E. R. L. Moore also went to Asiatic station by extending his enlistment for two more years.

We also have had several promotions: Corporals Dick, J., and Jones, A. "M.", Jr., to Sergeants; Pfc. Minkiewicz, A. J., to Corporal, and twenty-three privates to Privates First Class.

Corporal Denes and Pfc. Anderson were transferred to the Second Guard Company, Camp Elliott.

We of **COMPANY H**, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, have just completed a 180 mile hike with the regiment over the roughest terrain of San Diego County that could possibly be covered by foot. The hike was made with the utmost efficiency and the morale was high. There were days that we thought we couldn't make it but we pulled through with flying colors and of course we had our share of blisters.

Captain Walter Asmuth, popular skipper of "H" Company, has been detached and will report to the USS "Nevada" for duty soon. Since joining this company the organization had been increasing in strength and fire. Drags and dragmen have been toughened to withstand any field hardship, and are "all set." The company joins in wishing Captain Asmuth, of the fighting Eighth Marine, a "bon voyage."

HEADQUARTERS, 3RD BATTALION, 8TH MARINES, personnel comes to the fore this month with a bit of lingo designed to let the unfortunates know what it means to be a member of the "Fighting Eighth." Of course, we take it for granted that you have heard of the "Fighting Eighth."

We have always held that we were true fighting men of Uncle Sammie's first line fighting forces, but it was during the period April 21 to May 2, 1941, that we really became convinced that we rated the distinction. But, come with me and see for yourself.

April 21 to May 2 is a period in the official history of the "Fighting Eighth," now known as the Cuyamaca march. It involved just a mere one hundred eighty miles of some of the most rugged country that our Lord ever blessed a countryside with.

To all our readers who are natives of Southern California or who have spent any time in this locale, San Diego County is no mystery to them. But to those of you who read this article and who are not familiar with San Diego County have

only to consult your map to discover that it is a county of vast reaches and resources. To continue this train of thought is merely to give our readers an idea of what the country through which we passed during the hike is like. Should you ever visit San Diego during the summer months you will be struck with the barren appearance of the landscape and upon venturing into the city and noticing the beautiful Civic Center and other fine administrative buildings of the county, you will pause to wonder how a county of such appearance as that clearly visible around San Diego could afford such an elaborate administrative housing project. But, San Diego County is very large and once you have traveled through it your cause of wonderment will soon be displaced with instant reasoning as to the cause. You will pass through some of the most beautiful country you will ever have the opportunity of seeing. Of course, there are rugged desolate spots, some of the country is almost desert like; but in other sections of the county, particularly on the high mountain plateaus and the low mesa areas in the valleys you will find very fertile reaches of land. You will encounter vast herds of beef cattle—all prime beef. Small truck farmers are spotted occasionally throughout the county and here and there a homesteader who just seems to live in a small circle with not much to do but exist. High mountain tops that often are snow capped. Lakes high above sea level that are beautiful and large. Rocks so large that it would take a lot of TNT to remove them, that is, if you wanted to move them. Occasionally one may find relics of Indian tribes that once roamed the hills. And, too, there is a history about San Diego County that is very romantic and interesting. For instance, our troops passed through country that was traveled over by the famed Kit Carson and other famous men of the early days. To those of you who delight in high altitudes of the clear atmospheres and clear cool days the altitudes of the Vulcan Mountains is a spot that you should set down in your log book as a place to visit.

In order to do justice to all who made the Big Hike and to especially the men of **COMPANY I**, 3rd Battalion, 8th Marines, so that they will have an accurate record to go by when they repeat the story to their grandchildren 50 years from now, here are some of the highlights:

The going was easy to Miramar and did we get a bang out of the Camp Elliott boys staring at us as we breezed by—they couldn't believe it.

Lake Hodges was a nice little jaunt. There "ought to be a law"—imagine camping us next to a beautiful lake and "no swimming." The evening was beautiful though; big moon, many camp fires, crooning by all of us experts. Why you could hardly hear our cracked voices for Private Papailias.

The third day out, we made a hit with Ramona, a cozy little village with a population of about 600 souls; the kind that brought back memories of our own "home town"; an abundance of sunshine, trees and flowers, picket fences, little red school house. Many of us took advantage of an offer from the city to use the swimming plunge and other recreational facilities. We can truthfully say that the town opened their hearts to our boys and to quote a letter received by one of our company, since we've been back, "it was the most exciting and joyous time the citizenry of Ra-

mona has experienced for a long, long time."

And then to Lake Henshaw—ah! what a spot. The first sergeant sent the boys out to get some wood for the fire—well, the 1st Battalion was nicely bivouacked under some beautiful oak trees across the road—next morning, they were just camped across the road. A few army trucks drove by—and 2,400 marines stood up as one to give them the cheer.

Banner is an old mining town nestled in the San Jacinto mountains, somewhere in San Diego County. One of the boys wrote me and told his folks that we were "huttled." Ah, yes, the little man meant "huttled," as we were from Lake Henshaw in the wee hours of the morning. Arriving early Saturday A. M. before breakfast. When the sun came up and the ice began to break on the mountain creek near by we all went down to our bath. The officers were assigned the head of the stream and the men next in order. I sneaked around through the bushes and got ahead of the officers. That was a little dirty; that is just what I tried to tell the cows that were ahead of me. Anyhow, it was quite a relief and later we washed clothes, voluntarily, whether they needed it or not.

The next day was Sunday—each battalion had dug a barbecue pit and since the night before burned big chunks of wood—result being a bed of sizzling hot coals. We will all, long remember the delicious, choice bits of barbecued beef and pork, olives and celery, mashed potatoes, sweet spuds and all the trimmings. Many of the men had invited their folks and girl friends for the feast. Later the regiment staged a floor show that was quite a hit.

Monday we were warned that it would be a tough day up the Banner grade, and it was. Some say it was a 50 per cent grade for a distance of one and four-tenths miles. Well, we made it, but we had to empty our breast pockets of sand after reaching the top. I guess we all said our prayers on the way up—no one fell out—probably because none of us wanted to be the first to give up—that is the spirit of Company "I." If we die, we'll die together—as a result, we did so, at the top; by the numbers. After a brief rest we were back on our bloody stumps and trekked on through a cow path to Green Valley Falls Public Camp.

That night to the surprise and laughter of us all we woke up to find a goat in one of the pup tents. The kid swore he was just there on a friendly call. Well, we assigned one of the boys to carry the goat out of camp and we told the kid to watch his step.

Next day as we were climbing up a steep mountain road that led us over ridge after ridge and ever getting higher and higher, until we were up among the clouds, we finally came to a clearing at the top where the sun was shining through, someone in the crowd hollered, "Break out your liberty cards, fellows—we're coming to the Pearly Gates." He must have been delirious. That night we spent in Japatul Valley in a dense fog which settled on us about 5 P. M., and many of us had a hard time locating our own pup tents. The next morning found the gunnery sergeant over in another battalion area holding reveille, and the first sergeant making out a morning report for one of the other companies. We were soon reorganized and on with the hike.

Which took us to Dehesa in a pouring rain. After the first hour out when it really began to pour we broke out our ponchos and row boats—uniform of the day—and the bugler instead of sounding assembly, rang the bells—he must have thought we were on convoy duty in the North Atlantic. Arriving at our bivouac area we drove our stakes in mud and ate our supper under six inches of rain water—we swore the cook had watered the coffee; after drinking half the coffee from my canteen cup I still had a full cup. Did you ever try to spread butter on wet bread?

During the night one of the fellows had a nightmare and woke up yelling that he had it. He dreamed he had grabbed hold of a rattlesnake. We soon calmed him down, after we all crawled out of our tents in the rain during the middle of the night and then crawled back again wishing that he did.

The next day, the second Thursday out on the hike, we pounded pavement to Sweetwater Lake. We all had charley horses when we finally arrived. But we welcomed the sunshine once more and the chance to pitch our tents on dry ground again. We arrived in the early afternoon and turned to gathering our spirits for the next day, which was to be the finale through San Diego and back to the good old Base. When the gunnery sergeant opened his pack to make a few adjustments he discovered he had a hitch-hiker in the form of a lizard. We tried hard to convince him that none of us had put it there. It would have been a good idea, though.

Well, we are now passing through San Diego's Harlem on our last leg; just four and a half miles through town to the ball park, where the Colonel had the engineers prepare a "powder room" for us to tidy up a bit before dragging ourselves through the main gate and home. On arriving the Base band blew us a welcome and we almost blew our top trying to step out and take up the marching cadence, but we made it and were all happy to have completed the 180 mile hike that took us 12 days and ten years off our lives—but honestly, we all enjoyed it and many of us at least learned that we need larger shoes with more toe space. The commanding general was on hand to bid us a hearty welcome and Colonel Larsen, who made the hike with us, thanked us for the splendid showing of courage and stick-to-itiveness as demonstrated by all hands on the hike.

COMPANY K, 3rd Battalion, 8th Marines, is back to bid you greetings, you leathernecks, scattered hither and yon throughout our noble Marine Corps. Back to bid you greetings and to tell you about a little stroll that we of the 8th Marines took into the mountains surrounding San Diego County.

Our marching equipment consisted of light marching orders (with steel helmets attached) and shelter-halves, leggings (either worn or carried in the packs), normal arms, and an "Eighth Marine's Song Book." (These song books have not become part of our 782 equipment as yet).

The command extends its heartiest congratulations to Captain Dixon Guen, who was promoted to that rank on March 28, 1941. There were also other promotions. To Corporal: Berlin Caldwell, George M. Johnson, and Valentine Matkovitch. To

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Next month we will be back with more news. Until then, Company "K" bids you so long.

COMPANY M, 3rd Battalion, 8th Marines, has returned intact, hardened veterans of the San Diego Campaign. We have lost a valuable 1st Sgt. in "Scotty" Travis, but gained just a valuable man in Sam Soper. Every member of the company gives his regards to Scotty in his new position aboard the USS "Indianapolis." We are all enjoying our 72's and send word to the skipper in Idaho "that may his beds be soft and his sleep long and restful." At present Lt. Joseph Schmedding is in command and doing a fine job.

At ease—we will be with you again next month.

From the windswept shores of Camp Elliott **HEADQUARTERS SERVICE BATTERY, 10TH MARINES**, bids you "Aloha." Since our last communication with the vast audience of **THE LEATHERNECK** there has been a myriad of events in Reg. H&S that merit mention in this column. First and foremost, we find the personnel of the battery all in a stew, having received the long-awaited orders to board the USS "William P. Biddle" for maneuvers at San

Clemente Island. For the majority of the battery it will be their first sea-going, but H&S being the brains of the 10th Biggest reception and largest parade ever staged on the West Coast was held last week in honor of the visiting South American Naval dignitaries, and our battery was all out in their "Sunday Best."

All of you probably read and saw photographs of the recent dramatic rescue, rines, everything will soon be under control.

Another big event which received the by a navy plane, of the Marine parachutist whose chute fouled in the plane from which he jumped. Well, on the alert as usual, our Btry Commander, Lt. Guy E. Tannyhill, was right on hand aboard the transport plane getting all the "Dope" first hand. Says Lt. Tannyhill, and we quote: "It was a memorable experience and a gallant rescue."

The battery bid farewell and "Bon Voyage" to Pvt. Robert C. Nottingham, who this month boarded the USS "Idaho" to get his required sea-duty prior to taking his entrance examination to Annapolis.

Promotions were in order as follows: To Sgt.: A. M. Young. To Corp.: F. F. Punzel, J. J. Dolack, Jr., H. A. Gibson, and C. J. Stadler. To Private First Class: R. E. Slagill, W. L. Wilson, W. B. Fox, R. W. Mayberry, I. D. McClellan, J. M. Glover, G. G. Majirus, D. Seibel, C. T. Stewart, R. E. Smith. And to our Jr. Corpsman Walter J. Powner was meted out a H&S warrant.

BATTERY A, 10th Marines, is happy to announce the promotion to Captain of our skipper, Joe C. McHaney. Capt. McHaney received his much deserved commission on May 1st.

To any visitors who happened into our barracks around the first of the month we should like to explain that we were not holding a sewing bee. Just the happy recipients of 33 warrants attaching their new chevrons. Corp. H. Meritt, Jr., made sergeant; Pfc. Dave Lubin, Harold Norrup, and Verner Lucas made Corporal, and Privates Horace P. Jones, Carroll W. Irvin, William Daffern, Jr., Vernon C. Clark, James C. Cooper, Durward M. Duval, Urban P. Dresden, Herman D. Gilman, Peter V. DeSantis, Alfonso A. Mesa, William R. Fitzgerald, Laurence E. Cosgrove, Leonard M. G. Kaczmarzinski, Harry A. Werland, Dominic F. Catozza, William Gordon, Louis F. Bohannon, John A. Engelke, Frederick C. Evans, Jim T. Humphreys, Jr., James H. Scheneman, Forrest H. Sears, Thomas E. Smith, Emmett B. Taylor, George K. Wiley, Harold K. Hooks, Clarence C. Languein, Frank J. Ladd were promoted to Privates First Class. Our galley force also received a promotion in Assistant Cook Albert J. Davis to Field Cook.

Second Lieutenant Owens took most of the battery to accompany "C" on two weeks of landing-parties at San Clemente the last part of April. They left aboard the USS "Heywood" and, although a few were said to have made the trip by rail, they returned sunburned and "salty." The stay-at-homes are still being entertained by stories of the adventures of our "sea going" Marines. Those that returned to find their new warrants awaiting them are indeed a happy lot.

Second Lieutenant Winsor Crockett has returned from Officers' School to take his place in the battery. "Welcome back, Mr. Crockett."

THE LEATHERNECK

Sergeant "Dick" Bouck was paid off May 4 and has returned to his old position with the Los Angeles Police Department.

Sergeant Joe Beckett surprised everyone by his marriage on May 8 at Yuma to Miss Eve Standish. The battery extends its best wishes for a long and happy life to the newly weds.

Once again **BATTERY B**, 1st Battalion, 10th Marines, wants to sound off. All is quiet and serene on the battery front with plenty of gun drills, R.S.O.P.'s and a couple of overnight problems. At the present time the battery is running like a well-oiled machine because the men from the various batteries have strengthened their confidence in one another by their splendid teamwork in the field. We have had several transfers and joinings since last reporting in. Sgt. Maskasky has gone to H&S for duty as a detail man. From D-10 newcomer, Sgt. Robert B. Carney, has agreed to do it over again, and may we extend to him our sincere wishes for another happy cruise and also hope many others follow his example.

Promotions! Promotions! that was the order for the month of May. Corp. Koerber and Chalfin, formerly Pfes., look snappy and chivalrous with their new stripes. Over twenty-five men had to have Pfc. chevrons sewed on their shirts, and the tailors were working at top speed to gratify their wishes. Congratulations to each and everyone of them.

Corporal John J. Dezutel, who is an old-timer in and around the 10th Marines, is being paid off on the 31st of May and will return to the Windy City where he has a position in wait for him. More than likely he'll be back again, but most of the fellows now like to try the cold, cold outside for a while and then come back and really have something to growl about. They used to have the same trouble in the times of Hannibal. Once a Marine always a better citizen, and Dezutel will be out to prove it.

The 5th of May was supposed to find us on the good ship, USS "Biddle," but the sailing orders were changed and we are still looking forward to going out on the open sea. Some of the men claim they are allergic to the sea, but once on it, things will be going 'round and 'round for them to be sure. After hearing some of the salty yarns in the squad room anything is possible.

"Scuttlebutt" had been going around that **BATTERY C**, 10th Marines, was going on maneuvers, Hawaiian Islands, China, yes that was just where we were going. Well, finally word was passed that we were boarding the USS "Heywood" the 29th of April. This was straight dope and sure enough we did. The day before we boarded a very nice beer party was thrown by this Battery and a good time was had by all.

We glided out of port the 29th and the next morning found us at San Clemente Island. After a few cases of sea-sickness we joined several other batteries in a landing party. A lot of fun was had by all while on the beach. Everyone

seemed to get his share of sunburn and caeti. No casualties occurred, however.

Outside of a few inspections which were not held over two and three times a day, a good time was had aboard ship.

It was a great trip and some of us rookies who thought we liked sea-duty have found out different. A lot was learned by all and when we swept down upon the island with our landing parties that old saying still goes, "The Marines have landed and everything is under control," and truly it was.

BATTERY D, 10th Marines, returned from the embarkation operation bronzed and empty—it seems that the "William P. Biddle" wouldn't stand still long enough for the food to settle. It has been rumored that some of the boys didn't like it. Ho, for the life of a sailor, eh!

Pvt. Craft is back after a "rest" at the Base.

We've had as many promotions as we can stand up under for the month of May. So many of the men had to draw new hats on account of the hats they had no longer fitted that the QM issued another memo to the effect that if the hats didn't fit, stretch them to size or reduce the ego. From Pvt. to Corp. in ten (10) days—that's the record of Corp. Pounds.

On a recent RSOP, our versatile ACK Long and assistants cooked up such a fine mess of chow in short order style, that the Battery Commander recommended him for promotion to Fdck. He didn't get it out of cans, either.

The "Skipper" and eight stellars of **BATTERY E**, 10th Marines, took a flier on the range at La Jolla this month, with the following disconcerting results, to wit: Captain Adreon (SS); Cpl. Rander (SS); Pfc. Otis (SS); Pfc. Rose (SS); Pvt. Baedeker (Unq); Pvt. Gilian (MM); Pvt. Murray (MM); Pvt. Pagano (Unq); and Pvt. Pope, D. A., (SS). Of course, if the weather had been better!

Well, what do you know! The Shropshire twins were transferred this month. They really felt that they were capable of bigger things. Big Chief "Get up and go," Joe Hamilton, got up and went too.

And then the Battery was split. Yeh—after transferring one 1st Lt; 2 Pl-Sgts.; 1 Sgt.; 2 Cpls.; 4 Pfes. and 16 Pvts. to the newly organized 4th Bn., 1 ChCk. and 1 Cpl. to H&S Btry., 2d Bn—we were happy to receive in their stead, one 2d Lt., one 1st Sgt., and Privates C. R. English, M. K. Gocher, J. W. Lemmon, M. E. McQueen, F. W. Mroczkowski, J. R. Munns, A. E. Palmer, J. H. Rivers and A. Shelby. We were also fortunate in having our Signalmen returned to us from the 2d Sig. Co., MC Base, namely Pfc. Levine, and Privates Barg, Lombardo, Drost, Knott, Johnson and Seonce. Welcome home boys.


Lt. Thomas McE. Fry has very admirably filled the vacancy as executive officer created by the transfer of Lt. D. L. Henderson—and a fine young gentleman, one Lt. Max B. Clinkinbeard, USMC, joined to fill Lt. Fry's place as R.O. To make things about perfect, after losing Pl-Sgt. Otis A. Israel, our acting 1st Sgt., who was really the "Tops," we were again


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fortunate in joining one of the few 1st Sgts. who could really take his place—particularly with the men. A little fellow who packs a terrific wallop—a tireless leader, one who is admired and respected by everyone—Russell C. White.

We have had many promotions in the **HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE BATTERY, 2ND BATTALION, 10TH MARINES**, during the past month, that being the reason for so many smiles and black and blue arms. Corporals Triebel J. Hicklin and Earl N. Lewis were promoted to the rank of Sergeant. Pfc. Joe Beaver moved up a notch to Corporal. The following Privates were promoted to Pfc.: Jack L. Adams, Henry Bastonero, Donald V. Cockburn, Thomas M. Greene, Roy K. Gunderson, Thomas F. Hall, Archie E. Hamady, William C. Hogue, Billie H. Huffine, Warren R. Ihrig, Paul E. Jouett, Woodrow W. Knight, Joseph J. Lawnick, Cloyde E. Mather, James S. Morgan, Dale I. Newbrough, Edward Pashayan, John O. Perkins, George G. Rathcamp, Daniel Scheer, and Roderick W. Thornton.

First Lieutenant Thomas S. Ivey and thirty enlisted men disembarked from embarkation exercises after a very successful training period. A few of the men as usual, spent a little time at the rail, but all hands are in the "pink" again.

We joined seven privates, who are future CP's for Sergeant Leslie L. Foster.

First Lieutenant Clay W. Smith was detached to the Special Troops, all miss his excellent instruction on MG's. Sergeant Clayton Harris is busy qualifying the men in this battalion as to their swimming ability.

We've had the kind of weather here of late that the California Chamber of Commerce brags about. Blankets are being stored in sea bags. Suppose spring is here to stay and the rains are all over.

Numerous Private First Class ratings were passed out since **BATTERY F, 2nd Battalion, 10th Marines**, reported in **THE LEATHERNECK**. Eighteen former "Bucks" are now wearing the insignia of Private First Class. We also congratulate Corporal Buck, who moved up from Private First Class.

Battery "F" did quite well in the recent Regimental Smoker. Private Joe Caliva, of Battery "F," won a decision over Private Cecil Smith, Battery "H." Private "Babe" Stapp won by a TKO over Private "Frenchy" Dupree. However, since both "Babe" and "Frenchy" are members of Battery "F," we can claim no glory there.

Several members of Battery "F" have moved into the new NCO quarters in San Diego, and report that the quarters are a married man's heaven. Light, roomy and nicely furnished quarters, at a figure an NCO can afford to pay, have filled a long-felt need. The NCO's of Battery "F" express their thanks to Uncle Sam for this provision for their families.

The most even-tempered man in the Marine Corps, 1st Sgt. Robbins, has fired the bugler. Reveille starts when "Robbie" lets out his first growl. Between "Robbie," "Abe" Zucker, and Guy Childers, the mu-

sic has given up in disgust as he is always beaten to the punch.

May will be a month to remember by the members of **BATTERY G, 2nd Battalion, 10th Marines**. It was then that our Commander, 1st Lt. Wingo, passed out an armful of promotions. Thirty of them. Twenty-five of them were new Pfc's. Bruchman making Corporal. Several getting CP warrants and then about a dozen specialist ratings were given out. It was the month that 2nd Lt. Mendenhall was appointed our Executive Officer. And we discovered the reason for the better chow was that 2nd Lt. Bleker was our Mess Officer.

Then things like the Captain telling us we will have the best firing Battery in the Battalion after a demonstration one day. Or for example at the Regimental Smoker, when a Battery "G" clerk, Rettig, showed that he could pound more than just a typewriter. "Top" Lail, an observer at the bout, said the only place he saw hands move as fast was when the salesman passed out free cigarettes at the PX. And another "G" man, Morales, even though he lost a close decision, put up such a whale of a fight that they are thinking of putting him in a Battery by himself. Both said that they owed a lot to their seconds, Corp. Lovette and Pfc. Garvin for their aid between rounds.

And that was the month "The Rains Went" and sun tanning became the vogue. One of the advantages about Camp Elliott is the opportunities it gives for sun tanning. The Battery was preparing to go on maneuvers about the 6th of June. The "salts" aren't getting much pleasure from the thought of going aboard ship, but the "chicks" are anxious for a change of life, scenery, and people.

We had a few joinings and transfers that month. Our joinings being Corp. Flanagan and FM1el Laborde. And in our transfers we lost Corp. Lewis, and Pfc. Bernal, who is putting some zip in the service at the PX. CP's Heminger and Bickle went to H&S. We wish luck to Pfc. Ferguson, Pvt Schuyler, who are going on the USS "Outside."

Well, here's the dope from **BATTERY H, 2nd Battalion, 10th Marines**. We have been a pretty busy battery of late. Last payday there was a considerable amount of suffocation due to the "four for a jitney" cigars that were passed out. Twenty privates were made Pfc's, and three of our good buddies corporals, namely, Hefe, Fellows and Luttge.

At the time of this writing the battery is taking exams for further promotions. We wish everyone luck, but "what will we do for privates?"

We have a new officer in our midst, Second Lieutenant Karch. We wish the Lieutenant luck and hope he remains with us for a long time.

Our able property sergeant, Corporal Valenzano, is rapidly becoming disabled due to the quartermaster's unrelenting stream of new equipment to handle and issue to the battery. (1) This new equipment is for our contemplated maneuvers in the near future.

THE LEATHERNECK

Since our organization a few short months ago, we of **HEADQUARTERS & SERVICE BATTERY, 3RD BATTALION, 10TH MARINES**, have advanced far, and that advancement has been consistently straight up the road towards a "crack" outfit. In order for that to have been possible there had to be at our head a driving force, a force to show us the way and then lead us there. Our skipper, 2nd Lieut. G. B. Thomas, has been and is that force. We are proud of our record and proud to have a man who by his efforts has given us this privilege.

There are many others whose explicit expenditures of the "skipper's" orders have aided our betterment that may well receive a hand. First, Sgt. Major C. C. Paquette and his gang. Then our "top," 1st Sgt. A. W. Kessler, who always has the right word, the best advice for any situation. Stf. Sgt. C. E. Bogert, our communications chief, has built up a fast-moving, efficient communications gang. PISgt. S. T. Jason has been tireless in his efforts to teach and train us. PISgt. C. C. Russo has admirably worked with us sharing the benefits of his wide experience in the Marine Corps. PISgt. R. M. Alderson has given us much valuable assistance in our work. Next, Sgt. C. J. Angers, who besides doing his regular work has generously given of his own time to train our boxing team.

For now I must stop, there are others, but time and space prohibit their mention. I will say, however, that along with our splendid leadership the cooperation of the entire battery as a whole has been a thing beautiful to behold.

Cigars were much in evidence this last month with four corporals' warrants going to Corporals P. C. Payne, R. A. York, H. W. Laughrey and B. F. Hawk, Jr. With the advent of twenty-four Pfc. warrants suddenly descending on us the thought of twenty-four boxes of cigars with the ensuing smoke and ashes instigated a highly successful and thoroughly enjoyed "Bust" at the beach. Everyone had a good time, which, if you had seen what I saw there, was impossible to be otherwise.

So here we are, once again to the end. Until next month I remain faithfully yours, financially San Diego's and truthfully my own, your scribe.

Greetings once again you fellow leather-necks, **HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE BATTERY, 4TH BATTALION, 10TH MARINES**, promised that you would be hearing from us again, so here we are! Since our last appearance in **THE LEATHERNECK** things have been happening in HQ & Serv Battery. We have seen many promotions, and some mighty fine fellows have gone up the old ladder, and those who and the best of luck to youse guys and Happy Sailings. The men who made rates are as follows: First Sergeant G. W. Will-

hour; Sgt. Otto G. Stiles; Corp. James E. have received rates our hats are off to you Deline; Privates First Class John Crofford, Jr., James S. Kelly, Jr., John W. Langley, Roy A. Lindell, William H. Diage, Roy A. Embury, Clifford W. Doggett, John M. Gorman, Harold E. Boggs, Howard S. Case, Sam R. Brown, John F. Meyers, Clarence L. Bishop, and Warren V. Breckon. And last but not least our little Boogie Woogie Bugler Boy, Field Music Sergeant Robert A. Lippner.

Now that we are almost two months old we have been settling down to some real earnest work and training. Many hours in both the field and in school is really putting this battery in good condition, along with some fine reports from our battery commander of the good showing that the boys are making at troop and inspection.

Since our last contribution to **THE LEATHERNECK** we are proud to welcome back to our battery three of our boys from Radio and Telephone School. To them we say "Welcome." They are Privates Walter G. Hannon, Paul E. McLaughlin and Rule Stout.

There has been a change made in the Battery Office clerks. We now have Pfc.

Harold E. Boggs replacing John F. Meyers, so to you Boggs we welcome you to the key-punchers' staff. And in the Sgt. Major's office Pfc. Roy A. Lindell has been placed as runner and Message Center clerk. (From recent reports we heard that he reported to the Sgt. Major in his track suit; is that true, Lindell?)

The Marines of San Diego had the opportunity of showing off their equipment the other day by parading for the South American officials and many high ranking Navy officials as well, which was held on the Navy landing field at Karney

Mesa. From Radio and press reports it seemed that all concerned had appreciated our efforts.

At this second writing from **BATTERY K, 4th Battalion, 10th Marines**, since its organization we find the long-awaited deluge of promotions have arrived. Those receiving two stripes were: Pfc. Groth and Perry. The new one stripes being Brown, Ellington, Jansky, LaValley, LeComte and Williams. Others are Carson, Emerson, Gonzalez, Hampton, Kimbro, Lloyd, and Matthews. And still more are Mroczek, Murphy, Naleway, Sobczak, Tucker, and Walters. The cigars were abundant and the rounds of drinks were numerous.

The morale and athletic ability of this outfit is very high. Instead of the boys sleeping in on Sunday mornings you'll always find them up at reveille participating in the various sports, such as baseball, boxing, volley ball and football. And the men who do not care for these fast sports always take a hand in pitching horse shoes.

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Corps. McCart and Underwood are on the rifle range for a short time and at present enjoying wonderful firing weather.

Corp. Rodden and Pfc. Sobik have returned from a period of convalescence at the Naval Hospital. We hope they have fully recovered and are here to stay.

All for now because I can hear GYSgt. O. B. Wells calling the battery "Outside for gun drill."

BATTERY L, 4th Battalion, 10th Marines, opens up with its big guns again.

Pardon me while I brush away the stripes that are flying through the air, then maybe I can see what I am doing. Congratulations to George V. Roberts, who made sergeant; to Philip Bynum, Michael Gamber, Lawrence Tomeik, James T. Mitchell, and Roscoe G. Mayo, who made Corporal; to Douglas L. Cullen, Robert L. Daily, John L. Fitzgerald, William L. Floyd, Oved G. Gonzales, Ted L. Grant, Loy O. Hiller, Heinz W. Hinkel, Albert B. Isola, Emory W. Johnson, Andrew Juhasz, William J. Kennedy, John G. Lajcak, Robert H. La Tarte, Henry C. Long, Harry W. Martin, Carl L. McAdoo, Robert W. Muller, John K. Thyne, Anthony Van Laarhoven, James E. Walton, Matthew Wetzel, Jr., Hughie L. Gross, Daniel E. Parker, and Leon Mordecai, all who made Pfc. To Landon L. Schkade, who made Assistant Cook, and to Perry S. Brenton, who made Chief Cook. Keep up the good work men and have another.

I wonder what has happened to all the men who wanted to join the Parachute troops, seems that they have all changed their minds after Lt. Osipoff's narrow escape.

During the illness of 1st Sgt. Bernard H. Snyder, Platoon Sgt. Otis A. Israel has been doing a fine job of pinch hitting.

Well, guess we'll sign off for now, but we're all looking forward to the return of our battery commander from Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

This organization, which is well represented in the activities of the 2d Division, sounds off for the edification and enlightenment of its well wishers. As you should know by now, **HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE COMPANY, 2ND ENGINEER BATTALION**, have just finished participating in the parade in honor of the visiting South American admirals. Almost everyone was there, even old Pop Conyers. Pop is in charge of the Motor Transport and hasn't participated in a parade since 1916. He felt like a young man of 60 after it was over. He can now hardly wait until the next parade order comes out.

Promotions have been adequate. Robert S. Rix made Sergeant; Everett L. Merritt made Corporal, and the following named men made Privates First Class: Robert R. Cahill, James A. Evans, Wayne R. Floyd, Theodore L. Hall, Mack O. Hand, Robert F. Hunt, Virgil I. Hillberg, Jay R. Jack, Jr., Orville N. F. Joachim, Ralph A. Lair, Charlie I. Maris, Donald M. McArthur, Kenneth E. McCordle, John S. Modenese, Harry A. Potter, Earl E. Stewart, "J" "C" Thompson, and Edward P. Zervie. All promotions were well deserved and well taken. Rix's mother became ill and he

made a hurry-up furlough home to see her. Pfc. Felix Mansfield is also on furlough visiting his folks, who are ill. StfSgt. Joseph W. Utz is also on furlough and should be back soon.

Corporal Richard B. Solomon, Corporal Everitt L. Merritt, Corporal Charles M. Wann, Jr., and Pfc. Verdun L. R. Brande are in Portland, Oregon, on detached duty with the 29th Engineers of the Army. They are learning the art of topography.

Our Company Commander, First Lieutenant T. M. Hinkle, will soon be leaving the ranks of the bachelors. A farewell party was held in his honor and from the accounts a good time was had by all.

All sections are functioning smoothly. We have the reproduction under Platoon Sgt. Kutilek; the drafting under MGy-Sgt. Isham; water purification with StfSgt. Lassitor; rigging under Sgt. K. O. Sears; and last but not least Tech. Sgt. Pop Conyers in charge of the Motor Transport. 1st Sgt. Joe B. Mink, majordomos the company office efficiently, with the able assistance of Pfc. Claude L. Harvey and Pfc. Orville N. F. Joachim. Supply Sgt. "Tommy" Balaban is lord of the manor at the QM office, with the help of SupSgt. Harold Belcher, Corporal Stephen Polakiewicz, Corporal Jack L. Trail, and Pfc. Benjamin Odesser. Corporal Linn L. Beacock is our property sergeant and Sgt. Wilbur E. Hills as police sergeant. The Battalion Storeroom is ably taken care of by Pfc. Kenneth E. McCordle, with two men under his wing, namely, Pfc. Edward P. Zervie and Private Guy Easton.

Other duties are so varied that this outfit doesn't miss a thing, be it landing operations or 180 mile hikes with the 8th Marines. We're bearing up well though and all hands are in the pink.

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This month finds **COMPANY A**, 2nd Engineer Battalion, back to its old stomping grounds at Camp Elliott. We find that most of the fellows like it as well as at the base now, the new barracks are up-to-date in everything and very comfortable. We were lucky enough to be assigned to the barracks right between the Post Exchange and the main gate, so every one seems to be happy.

To start things off we wish to extend our warmest greetings to our new company officer, Lieutenant Curtis R. Vander Haven, who just sailed in from the frozen north detachment at Dutch Harbor, Alaska, and we hope he will enjoy his tour of duty with our company.

Now for some news from the maneuvers in which we took part. Those who went aboard ship had a great time learning all the sea language, which was new to most of them. In fact, we had a hard time the first two days finding anyone as most of them didn't know which side was port or starboard, but the fellows seemed to learn

mighty fast after nearly missing a shore party boat.

Now about the battling engineers who went on the hike with the 8th Marines, and really set some fine records for our company. All along the hike our company was ahead preparing the camps for those coming, most of the time they were about two camps ahead. We think now maybe our fighting friends will think more of the engineers after seeing all the work we save them.

One of the most outstanding events was the record time in which our engineers constructed a bridge. The bridge was up including hand rails, and troops were crossing in fifteen minutes from the time the first span was put into position.

In closing we wish to extend congratulations to the men who were promoted this month, namely, John L. Langston, who is now a sergeant; Albert J. Smith, promoted to Corporal, and the following privates were promoted to Privates First Class: Paul B. Brown, Donald H. Castle, Elmer R. Cunningham, Donald R. Mueffelman, Leroy Williams, Leon F. Painter, Sam C. White, Charles W. T. Bawloski, George E. Cook, Lawrence W. Harris and Ralph S. Freeman.

Well, here goes **COMPANY B**, 2nd Engineer Battalion, with a fist full of news. First of all its congrats to the following men of this company who have recently been promoted as follows: Corp. E. H. Frost to Sgt.; MCR, Pfc. Charles Stern to Corporal; MCR and J. Brannan, J. W. Havens, O. M. Olson, Jr., C. H. Leath, B. T. Hanson, L. J. Kunkel, J. M. Smith, J. T. McFadden, Jr., F. D. Norwood, E. R. Reynolds and J. L. Crapps, all privates, to Pfc. Everyone is back on "Bull" and "Dukes" now after having been on a seegar diet for several days.

Had a big parade for all the South American officials today and most of the guys were pretty well petered out when they got in, but you should have seen the smiles and the rush for the showers when the "Skipper" announced that holiday routine would be observed the rest of the day.

This month we find **COMPANY C**, 2nd Engineer Battalion, at Camp Elliott, the paradise of Southern California. A great many events have taken place since our last report. We have a new, able Company Commander, Captain Harold B. West, working with us on our "baby," the portable dock.

We have a great many new Private First Class chevrons, and one Corporal chevron, loose in the company. Also, we must not forget the loss of our able Sergeant Stock. This proved to be a streak of luck for ex-Corporal Gilbert. Ten Reserves joined us from Portland, and now are beginning to get acquainted with Service life.

We are just about settled in our new home here at Camp Elliott. It seems as if we are always on the verge of going somewhere. Scuttlebutt concerning a future journey is always preying on the minds of our men. Maybe some day this scuttlebutt of a future journey to foreign lands will come true.

SEA GOING



The **USS CHARLESTON** again boasts of her travels and sights she has seen on the present cruise to the Aleutian Islands.

One scene seldom seen by white men is the Island of Bogoslof, which occasionally disappears and finally is seen again. It is the home of thousands of sea lions, and a bird rookery. For literally millions of birds, some seagulls, but mostly a penguin-like bird whose name we are unable to discover. The grown sea lions were of enormous sizes and there were quite a few small ones as the breeding season had just started. The Island itself is of volcanic origin and several pools of hot water were discovered perpetually covered with steam.

The USS "Charleston" is the largest ship to ever visit that remote Western Island of the U. S. Attu, extreme end of the Aleutian Chain. Opportunity was given to the Officers and crew to go ashore on the Island, a bare deserted place with nothing but tundra grass in the low parts which is close to the water level. The lakes are full of trout and a fur seal inhabits the fringes of the Island. Most interesting from a trapper's viewpoint are the foxes, for which this section of the world is famous. These small furry animals were artificially planted on the Island by a trapper, who has an arrangement with the Indians to trap them each year.

One story told by the trappers there is very interesting. An old trapper, seeking to purchase furs, visited the Indian's village on the Island and bought a fur from one of the Indians for 350 dollars, an exorbitant price he paid without murmur; the trapper then in turn sold the Indian a sack of flour for 400 dollars and everything was fair and square. This small tribe of Indians, one of the cleanest and

purest breed of Indian, still exist on the Island.

The days are becoming very long this time of year. The sun rises around 0230 and sets around 2100. The weather has been agreeable except for two small snow storms while returning from the Islands.

Since our last write up we have had ten men promoted. They are: Corp. Laughter to Sergeant, PFCs. Fugua and Daehler to Corporal, and Privates Murphy, Stephens, Widden, Layton, Wallace, Lanzer, and Wilcox to Private First Class.

All the members of the ship's personnel except 34 had never crossed the 180th meridian line, home of the "Silver Sea Dragon," and the Captain held a little initiation party for us. The old timers that had crossed the equator tried to mutiny and the short timers helped them out and almost turned the tables on the initiation party, until a couple polly wogs backed up the shellbacks and we had to take our medicine.

On the next cruise, to Nome, Alaska, we

expect to cross the Arctic Circle and from rumors there is only one man aboard that has crossed it and he is the assistant navigator. We feel that no initiation will be worthwhile unless the pollywogs decide the shellback should have a little treatment.

Well, I guess we had better sign off and get along with the work for the next cruise.

This is the **MARINE DETACHMENT, USS PHOENIX**, keeping the usual monthly appointment. This has proved to be an exceedingly dull month and much beating was given the proverbial gums by those lucky few, "short timers." They have a concise account of their remaining time fractioned down to minutes and seconds and will on the slightest provocation, recite them with machine-like rapidity to any listener, willing or unwilling. With this insane babbling and other homicidal antics coming from these people, the outfit is almost completely unnerved, so by the time this goes to press we will in all probability be resting in the confines of some cozy padded cell.

Not in the least perturbed by this chaos was Charlie Kaut, whose shirts now bear a proud second stripe, which unquestionably gives him the rank of Corporal. He also claims the present distinction of being the most "beat up" member in the personnel. Not long ago, while in the performance of duty, he stopped a wayward hot shell full in the face. Then a few weeks later he was catching a softball game when an opposing slugger tapped him over the left eye with the hickory.

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Corporal Joe "Speedball" Hall is vigorously studying for the Naval Academy Preparatory School. We sincerely hope that he makes the grade and all of us are of the opinion that if he makes the Academy, the Navy will find an officer and a gentleman of the highest caliber in Corp. Hall.

The Marine Detachment, **USS LOUISVILLE** now takes time out from daily routine to spill the news.

Since our arrival in Hawaii, March 10, we have been quite busy firing gunnery exercises and making preparations for admiral's inspection. All hands turned out exceptionally good marks toward their goals upon firing night battle practice. The ship broke all records in the history of the Navy.

Quite a few men of the detachment have been busy sewing on their new stripes as follows: Williby to Gunnery Sgt., Wells to Platoon Sgt., Murello to Sgt., Richert, Keeton, Holmes, and Kaufman to Corporal, Tate to Field Music Corporal, and Carr, Epperson, Halczak, and Lundergan to Private First Class. The "OLD SALTS" are surprised at this onslaught of rates. All they can say is, "It's not like it used to be."

There have been numerous changes since we last reported our losses and gains. Corporals James and Smith, Privates First Class Wheeler, Lonlak, Bates, Lohrberg, Stewart and Lannon left the ship and resumed their duties in the FMF, San Diego. In turn, Privates Peterson, Lanie, and Assistant Cook Swiontkowski boarded the "Lady Lou." Our new First Sgt., Tom Glenn, is getting quite accustomed to line duty after years and years of corralling recruits.

Due to the experience of one of our old-

est Pfses. aboard I think that Lawrence Garry should be commended for his ability at the art of catching cases. During gunnery, he set an unprecedented record in this art, and is so justly proud of his ability, that he, at any time, will contend for a title.

Two Fox Movietone cameramen have been guests aboard ever since our arrival in the islands. They have filmed everything from the "fortop" to the "golden rivet." Their cameras were kept unusually busy the evening we were entertained aboard by the original hula troupe and orchestra from the Royal Hawaiian Hotel. Keep your eyes open fellows, the "Lady Lou" will be on the screen in the near future.

Summing up our news and views from the Paradise of the Pacific we wish to sign over and off until a later issue, hoping to send the next write-up from the states.



Photo and Letter courtesy Capt. R. W. Hayward

Sir Leslie Orme Wilson, Governor of the State of Queensland, Australia, inspects a Marine detachment during a recent trip by the American forces to Australia.

Government House, Brisbane,
April 10, 1941.

Dear Captain Hayward:
U.S.M.C.,
USS "Chicago,"
Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Dear Captain Hayward:

I have not forgotten, and I send you herewith the photograph of my inspecting your Marine Detachment on USS "Chicago" when returning your Admiral's call. I also enclose a paper photograph of myself, giving my rank, etc., in case you want it for any purpose, and to be entirely correct.

It may be that your Major-General Commandant and the H. Q. of the Marine Corps might like to see what really is a unique occasion—a Colonel in the Royal Marines—who also has the honour to representing His Majesty the King, inspecting a detachment of the U.S.M.C. on the Flagship of an American Squadron in a very distant part of the British Empire.

I am reading *THE LEATHERNECKS* which you gave me with very great interest.

I have sent a copy of the photo to our journal, the "Globe and Laurel," and, if and when I receive a copy I will forward it to you.

It was a very real pleasure to see your

Squadron here—and to me a very distinct pleasure to meet so many U. S. Marines, officers and men. I congratulate you warmly on the physique and smartness of your detachment, and the behaviour of your men during all the visit earned, very justly, the highest admiration of us all. Truly, they fully maintained the high traditions on which the U.S.M.C. and the Royal Marines pride themselves. Please remember me to 2nd Lieutenant Oldfield, and your other officers, and with all good wishes.

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

SIR LESLIE ORME WILSON.

THE LEATHERNECK

DETACHMENTS

Memorial Day the contingents on Hilton Head were host to the wives and children of the personnel of **5 INCH ARTILLERY GROUP, 5TH DEFENSE BATTALION**, at a beach picnic. Prizes were awarded the winner in various games and track events. It was an ideal day for swimming and all present evinced great pleasure.

The entire command is pleased at the good news of Captain Paige's promotion to Major.

We also have three new Sergeants and five new Corporals all (FC). The new Sergeants are: Herman B. Frey, Spencer L. Kenney and Charles V. Phillips, while Herman Carr, Serafino Guido, Kendall A. Perry, Hiram King, and Thurston R. Tyson were promoted to Corporal.

Sixteen men joined the 5"/51 from Machine Gun Group, 5th Defense Battalion, Post. Included in the above is Chief Cook John Kowalski who will be our Mess Sergeant.

Sgt. Joel H. Sharp, Jr., was paid off and left us for civil employment.

Corp. Robert F. Casey extended two years for the West Coast.

Lost: One whole degree, between B prime and B two. Finder please return to (FC) Surveyors. P.S. Don't search the logarithms.

Once again **BOURNE FIELD** faces that time of the year when transfers are the chief topic of discussion, and the lucky fellows on the "list" worry about their traveling orders. There are quite a few men of Aviation on the list this time, which leaves room for plenty of new replacements. It is nothing new to hear "Georgious George" Cicala asking the less fortunate members of the command if they will miss him "after he is gone."

We wish to extend our congratulations to 1st Lt. H. F. Bowker on his recent marriage. Lt. Bowker was married here shortly before he was transferred to Quantico. Last week sent Lt. and Mrs. Bowker on their way for San Juan for further transfer to the States, where Lt. Bowker will resume his duties with BAD-1, Quantico, Va. The personnel of Bourne Field wish them the best of luck and a pleasant journey. Also transferred for duty with BAD-1, was Pfc. K. McGowan. Mae left via the USS "Omaha."

Promotions were gratefully received by most of our Staff Non Coms this month. Those promoted were: to MtsGt., Cooper, Warren, Toranich; to TSgt., "Wimpy" Wimer, Buchanan, Cellucci, Cutler, Beatty, "Bunko" Lansing, Delisle, Stoflet, "Charlie" Neus, Humphrey, Rhea, Lucas, "Buck" Coon, "Dagwood" Williams, and Marks; to StfSgt., Lane, Bennett, Kirk, Witherpoon, Harless, Kenski, Zapfel, Potta, "Steve" Gulasey, Bollette, Connor, Freeman, Thatcher, and "Big Foot" Thompson. Our dear old "Mess Sergeant" was promoted to TSgt. (Mess). Congrats Bernaski, Jack Fitzgerald of the Guard Detachment, crashed the Staff ranks, and is

now called Platoon Sergeant by his associates. And last but not least Walter W. Whitehouse, the "boy wonder" to Sergeant (Paymaster). And that my dear-readers, just about covers the cigars and drinks we have coming from the boys. A few of them have paid off, for which we offer our thanks, to the others we say "get hot."

"I am an American Day," was celebrated in Charlotte Amalie at the ball park, with the assistance of the Marines. The two platoons were comprised of VMS-3, BAD, and Guard Detachment. The park was crowded well beyond its capacity and as usual the personnel of Bourne Field upheld the traditions of the Corps with an excellent performance.

Due to almost two weeks of steady rainfall which has supplied us with plenty of water, we are now "off water rations." This is indeed good news to all the men stationed here, and should sound good to the men soon to be transferred from the States, since we have just finished a four months stretch of shaving and showering when the "water is on." This excessive rainfall also brought about the return of daily exercises. It makes one feel good to again be able to participate in afternoon athletics and not have to worry about how he can obtain a shower.

That readers, winds up another broadcast from this sunny tropical isle, so until next month we bid you all farewell.

Hello Gang; here's that reporter from **BATTERY G, 5TH DEFENSE BATTALION** again. We have been having night searchlight problems in coordination with the 3-inch antiaircraft artillery and we certainly enjoyed getting into the old groove again. As it has been some time

since the searchlights have seen action, and everyone was pleased to note how well the new members of the battery functioned in their respective duties. At present we are practicing the locating of planes without the aid of sound locators and find it is quite a challenge to a searchlight outfit.

There are several promotions to add to the roster of G Battery this month and we are proud to congratulate William R. Bennett in making Sgt. from Corp., Robert H. Millard, Corp. from Pfc., and Pvts. Brewer, Clark, Lo Faso, Powell, Stephens, Teed, Vickers, Warren, Wilson and Wolner for their good work in becoming Pfc. Three additional men were added to the battery and it bring us up to full strength again. Corp. R. E. Bryant, joined from MB, NOB, Norfolk, Va., and Pvts. M. J. Cardinale and J. "C." Baxley from the 5th Def. Bn., MG Grp. We think they can do us and themselves a lot of good.

Our JO, 2nd Lt. Mark S. Adams, treated the entire battery to a fishing trip on a small fresh water river just outside of Yemassee, S. C., this past week-end and the results proved that the boys are not only good at fishing out planes with lights but are equally good in doing likewise with fish and rod and reel. Highlight of the trip was Pfc. J. H. Clark's performance with a nine-pound mud fish and several big catfish. The rest of the gang did very well, landing many fish this big. Honest! The trip was a further success because there were no casualties, except the usual sunburned backs.

The Community Club of Beaufort is now sponsoring a weekly dance for all enlisted personnel of Parris Island and it goes without saying that the dances are well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by all hands of this battery.

Until next month when we expect to have more dope, adios amigos.



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It has been a long time since **RS. ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI**, has made the pages of *THE LEATHERNECK*, but it is the intention of the writer to submit a few paragraphs each month for publication. Congratulations are in store for Sergeant (RW) Henry L. Waters, who will in all probability be a proud father by the time this hits press, and the usual festivities and cigars are anticipated.

During the past month we had quite a few additions to our staff. 2d Lt. Robert D. Shaffer, USMC, reported for duty in connection with the platoon leaders' and candidates' classes. Upon completion of the Lieutenant's duties here, Norfolk Navy Yard will be the Lieutenant's port of call. Johnny Bowling Hale, USN, reported from Chicago and will soon stand detached duty complete. Among the new additions to our staff also were Sergeant (RW) Reinhold Block and Sergeant (RW) Francis D. Moore, who at the present time are ably adapting themselves to the art of recruiting. Our medical staff, consisting of Lt. Comdr. James M. Brown, Ben W. Tartt, ChPM, Sam C. Cunningham, PhM2c, are to be commended upon their excellent work.

Cunningham will bid this station adieu in the near future for sea going. We bid him "clear sailing." Sergeant (RW) Mylo R. Kyrk and Sergeant (RW) Henry H. Rule, our ace bird men have been obtaining great results on their trips. Our Skipper, John A. Tebbs, Captain, USMC, retired, is back at his desk after spending a few days at his estate in Virginia. According to the Captain the chicken farm is doing well, and are working overtime to aid in National Defense. First Sergeant Anselm Butler, recently promoted to that rank, has the situation well in hand. Sergeant Don L. Sanborn, transferred from SDHS, Quincy, Ill., is at present holding down the position of clerk to the first sergeant. Sergeant (RW) William E. Klar is taking things rather easy now since the quotas of the candidates' and platoon leaders' classes have been met. Your correspondent, Sergeant (RW) John A. Duffy,

was interviewed over Radio Station KXOK by Mr. Bruce Barrington for a period of fifteen minutes in connection with Marine Corps recruiting. Well, that about completes the news of the month, so see you next time.

In a spirit of true patriotism, the personnel of **COMPANY L, 3RD BATTALION, 2ND MARINES**, is alternately red, white and blue.

RED—with the fury of the semi-tropical California sun—as we rush into mock battle, over the side of our small boats and onto the beach. During the past month we have participated in scheduled landing parties, bivouacking three and four nights at a time. We will skip such unpleasanties as awakening with the sharp end of a cactus in our Leathernecks, and say that the enemy had better turn tail when the Second Marines are landing.

WHITE—with the recent induction of three new recruits who will soon become seasoned Devil Dogs under the able instruction of our outstanding officers and noncommissioned officers. These recruits are, namely: Pvt. Jack S. Wiggins, Pvt. John Wroski and Pvt. Donald B. Voehl. Good luck, fellows.

BLUE—with the loss of our well-liked "Skipper," Captain John W. Clark, who received orders last month for Asiatic duty in Shanghai, China. We also lost several of our enlisted men to Shanghai. Well, they need good men in China.

The helm of our ship was taken over by First Lieutenant William S. Vasconcellos, who has already begun to prove himself a good "Skipper."

For all our labors and fetes of endurance of the past month there is coming a "Judgment Day." The Staff and the enlisted personnel of the battalion are cooperating and on Saturday we all will get together and become saturated with all the beer we can hold, other refreshments for the abstainers.

MARINE BARRACKS, NAVAL AIR STATION, ALAMEDA, CALIFORNIA—

Now that we have broken into print, we veterans of the West Alameda Flats are looking forward to a monthly representation in our one and only journal, *THE LEATHERNECK*. As in all detachments, we have had our transfers, joinings, pay-offs, and so forth. PISgt. Lurvey bid us farewell to the Asiatic Station, while PISgt. Criswell, at the same time joined us to take over the reins of that NCO-OD vacancy. Second Lieutenant Benedict, who joined us from the naval prison, Mare Island, California, comprises the position as Barrack's Officer and seems to have the situation well in hand. Corp. Hartt, recently relieved by Sgt. (QM) Wilson, chose to give the USS "Outside" a try, and was last seen making tracks in the direction of Berkeley, California. We all wish you luck, Hartt, and may the Army be lenient with you.

The athletic talent of the command has lately been put to use very successfully. Our first showing came when Pfc. Caputo, Pvt. Chaeon, Pvt. Hobart, Pvt. Thomas, and Pvt. Shull walked away with all honors at the Alameda Three Mile Road Run, bringing home three out of the five trophies awarded. We are proud of their achievement and look upon their spoils with great admiration. At present our soft-ball team, under the careful coaching of Corp. Barnes and Pvt. Harvey, is developing rapidly and the outlook for a successful season is very promising.

Construction here at the Station is taking shape very rapidly now due to the fact that spring has finally arrived with its fair weather. To keep up with the Station improvements a new Station Wagon has been assigned, which we all look upon with envy. We are, also, anxiously looking forward to the completion of our own barracks, which are due for occupation in about a month or so.

We hope we have given you a little inside information on what is going on here in sunny California, and hope to be back in the next issue of *THE LEATHERNECK*.

NAVAL PRISON MARINE DETACHMENT, NAVAL PRISON, PORTSMOUTH, N. H.

The Marine Detachment regrets the departure of our Commanding Officer, Colonel Alphonse De Carre, who has departed for his new station at Puget Sound, Bremerton, Washington. Major Maxwell H. Mizell assumed command pending arrival of Colonel Joseph A. Rossell.

Much interest was displayed in the numerous parades in which this outfit participated during Memorial Day. Several different points of interest, including Portsmouth, N. H., Kittery and York, Maine, were visited. Besides the usual parading volleys were fired as part of the services.

Much comment has been heard about the new rifles which our men are being issued. Men have been under instruction of late in the use of these weapons. Gunnery Sergeant Whiteside, from Quantico, Virginia, has proven an able instructor and willing to help with anything within his knowledge of the rifles.

Recent promotions include ten privates to the next grade; the following men sewed on stripes: Hines, Bunn, Malyerek, Langley, O'Neal, McClellan, Petersen, MacLeod, Ellis and Dalgaty. Sgt. Fratus has joined this command from Coco Solo. Sgt. Jazweicki has departed for Engineering school and Sgt. Mieure and Corp. Renick for Quantico.

The baseball nine is making an excellent showing with only one defeat in six games to date. They are at present leading the Portsmouth Baseball League. Fine pitching, with Malerek and Crew doing splendid work, is being ably backed by the fine hitting which has been the result of the fine coaching by Lieut. Alexander. One defeat to date was at the hands of the Army and much interest is being centered on the coming return game with the same team.

Hikes, parades and sports have kept this detachment in excellent condition and with the fine New England summers in sight again the beaches nearby will become a familiar haunt. With the woods being again opened to fishing, etc., after the restrictions caused by the drought we can again get away on weekends.

Sgt. Fratus, from Coco Solo, was the only new member to join the post this month. Several of the fellows are enjoying their first furlough at home this month.

With the results of the recent A&I inspection posted on the bulletin board, the men at **MARINE BARRACKS, NAVAL AIR STATION, LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY**, are more or less basking in the favorable glow of well-deserved praise. All hands cooperated to make the inspection a success, and too much cannot be said for the new arrivals to the post who did nothing to detract from the former commendable showings of the Lakehurst Marines.

The lure of the silken 'chutes—not to mention that specialist first class pay—continues to attract men from the regular detachment, and this month we're scheduled to lose to their ranks Pfc. William G. Donnelly, Pvt. John M. Dougherty, and Corp. Jack V. Canzonieri. Corp. Canzonieri will leave an empty space in the company office, while Pfc. Donnelly will turn over his duties driving the Commissary truck to Pfc. Hamilton. Pvt. Dougherty deserts the fire barn for his new assignment. All join in wishing these men the best of luck.

Federal agents of the Philadelphia area fired over the range here at Lakehurst during the last week of May, using their .38 caliber service revolvers, .30 caliber rifles, .351 caliber autoloading rifles, and Thompson sub-machine guns. Night firing was conducted with the use of tracer ammunition. One illuminating star shell was fired, by the light of which the special agents blasted away at their targets with disastrous results: said results extending to the setting fire of the too-dry brush adjacent to the butts. The flare-up was immediately extinguished, but no more star shells were fired. Just between you and us, we'd advise any gangsters in the vicinity of Philadelphia or elsewhere to hit the road before they tangle with these sharp-shooting special agents.

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dancing (which we found out last Saturday), a large sun porch and every sport facility known to man or beast at our disposal, tennis, golf, swimming, shuffle board, fishing, baseball, etc. So please while we are undergoing this strenuous time underneath this beautiful Florida sun, think of us kindly. Every one of the boys are sporting a beautiful tan while some even have been sporting beautiful blondes. We

Alligator" through its paces. We know and have seen what it can do so now we are anxious to do it ourselves. As a last note before we sign off, our softball team got off to a fine start winning its first game 21 to 13 from the Food Machinery corp. We are entering a twilight league and know if things continue as they are we will end near the top. Adios now to next month.

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have been fortunate to have as our C. O. Major W. W. Davies, who has been directly responsible for making our stay here so pleasant. He is being ably assisted by Lieutenants Taylor, Wann, Harwick, and Marine Gunner Stepka who has charge of transportation. 1st Sgt. Bogart is our top and we have unanimously decided he is tops. Our Navy personnel consists of Lieutenant Newhouse, PhMlc. Holtsford and PhM2c. Morrissey. As of yet we are still observing the technique followed in the construction of the tanks. Some of the boys are studying welding under very competent civilian instructors and putting "the

Sergeant William W. C. Black, reporting from **SDHS, WILKES-BARRE, PENNSYLVANIA**, states that he has completed eighteen speaking engagements during May in various high schools and civic clubs in the vicinity. Recruiting activities slowed down considerably prior to the final exams for the high school seniors and we are expecting big results for the month of June in enlistments.

Sergeant John D. Barlow is working like an iron horse in Scranton covering Lackawanna County and reports that he has a large group of high school seniors waiting for their sheep skins.

Foremost news for the month was the formation of the George R. Newitt detachment of the Marine Corps League in Wyoming Valley. Wyoming Valley includes the city of Wilkes-Barre and surrounding towns for eight miles up and down the valley. Twenty-seven chartered members were registered which the Ed was one, and three more joined at a later date. This spirit proves the fact that no matter how old you may be or what period you served with the Marines that they will always get together, "Semper Fidelis."

The detachment was named after the first Marine from Wyoming Valley who lost his life in action during the World War. Newitt fell at Belleau Wood June 8, 1918. The oldest member of the organization is John Horsley, 1st Sgt. Ret., who was enlisted in the Corp April 4, 1890, and retired on thirty years in November, 1919. Enlisted during the heyday of "Wooden ships and iron men" Grandpop Horsley has seen service on many of the old and now obsolete ships of the Navy, the Spanish American War in Cuba, Venezuelan Insurrection, Nicaraguan Campaign, Expeditions to Haiti and San Domingo, was in

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Cast of "The National Revue" receives the plaudits of the Quantico Marines after a recent performance.

the Philippines, and China, and saw duty in the recruiting service. His career has been long and colorful and he is proud to be on pension since 1919. This proves the fact that all men do not cash in shortly after leaving the service on retirement. He is still hale and hearty and gets out every day weather permitting.

The youngest member is Leonard J. Mikelonis, who was discharged from Navy Yard, Washington, D. C., last summer after completing four years. The detachment officers are Joseph M. Walsh, Commandant, Francis A. Ward, Senior Vice Commandant, and Leonard J. Mikelonis, Junior Vice Commandant.

Ye Ed is looking forward to many interesting and happy meetings with our newly formed detachment.

Current promotions in the **MARINE CORPS INSTITUTE** include: Checkloun and Parrish to sergeant; Orsini, Sarokin, and Turiello to corporal, and Nystrom, Zyk, Fownes, Resinor, Doyle, and Goetz to private first class.

Furloughs have been granted to Resinor, Butts, Hargrave, Le Bouf, Henschel, Leach, Hepburn, Watt, Tanzler, and Lawrence. Hospital swaps include Allen, Hepburn, and Hooper from, and J. N. Smith, Carvlin, and Rohr to.

Transferred are Stovitz, Hilliard, Hargrave, and Swain to Navy Building guard, Toth to M.B., Quantico, and Richart to the PX. Temporarily detached are Allen and Lindsay to HQMC and Graff to San Francisco.

Banoci is now property sergeant; Meekle has been assigned to the multigraph-mimeograph section; and, during a temporary emergency, Bangert, Day, Leach, Lee, and Walczak are serving as messmen.

Thirty men at Parris Island have been selected by interview for transfer to the M.C.I. in the near future. If their records are indicative of their abilities, these men will greatly bolster an overworked staff.

The history and mathematics sections are being enlarged in an effort to cope with ever-increasing activity in the courses offered by these departments.

The field day held in late May was won as usual by the M.C.I. detachment. It is rumored that once upon a time in the dim, dead past the Institute men lost a field day, but such has not been the case in recent years. The mighty men of the barracks detachment did win the tug-of-war this time, but the M.C.I. ran off with a majority of the events. Even with Roy, the Institute pie-eating (not learned by correspondence) champion, not contesting, the M.C.I. won this event when Soloby came through with a splash and a gulp which almost annihilated his chocolate pie even before the starting whistle blast had died away.

Shortly after Littrell's marriage, the English Department presented a carving set and the Institute detachment gave a silver cocktail set consisting of tray, shaker, and six glasses as wedding gifts. The English Department came across with another gift package labeled "coat hanger and cigarette lighter," and containing a nail and a match. A local waitress was the donor of an apron for the groom's use in doing the dishes. Hargrave received a waffle iron from the Institute detachment as his wedding gift; anent other presents, he won't talk.

Recently "Andy" Anderson annexed the floor in the Preparatory School and queried the men regarding their attitude about subscribing a fund to purchase a saber for presentation to Fleissner upon his being commissioned a second lieutenant. (It's in the bag according to grapevine reports.) The reaction was unanimous.

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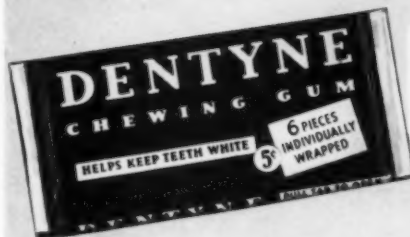
ly in favor, and while "Andy" was holding forth in discussion of the details, Fleissner entered and passed through. "Flash" appeared in the middle of a sentence, but "Andy" merely looked, paused with mouth open for the third syllable of a six syllable word, and continued, "and you must be at your desks promptly at eight each morning and report back immediately after lunch hour, etc., etc." until Fleissner passed beyond hearing, whereupon "Andy" went back to his unpronounced four syllables and concluded the original discussion.

Charlie Inglee, who edits *The Stamp Corner* in this mag, claims that all stamp collectors are "suckers." To prove it, he recently took "Mrs. Charlie" on an airplane junket to New York City to attend an auction of philatelic material, and returned laden with \$1,600.00 worth of rare naval and Marine Corps covers. No doubt he proved something or other, and we are more than willing to take his word for it.

We give you now for the first time the **MARINE BARRACKS, NAVAL AIR STATION, SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO.** On January 1st, 1941, the Second Provisional Company joined the Marine Detachment to form the Marine Barracks. Since that time the command has grown quite a bit, to the strength of 157 enlisted and 4 officers. Captain R. H. Hayden commanding the Barracks, First Lieutenant M. M. Nohrden, the Post Quartermaster, Second Lieutenant's H. W. Coulter and R. N. Fricke, Company Officers. Though not yet finished, the Naval Air Station we are sure, will be quite a beautiful place, for duty and recreation. The men have liberty in San Juan, Santurce and adjoining suburbs, where they may go to good shows and many good clubs. There is also a movie every night shown on the station which the men may attend. The schedule of this organization for the month of May will include four weeks at the Army rifle range at Cayey, Puerto Rico, where all will endeavor to come back with scores that will produce jingles in their pockets. On the station at the present time we have a volleyball court and a basketball court, and every day a truck takes a swimming party to a beach near San Juan, where the men have a chance to become, as one Marine would say to another, "Very salty." Upon completion of the Air Station the men will have at their disposal a softball diamond, a track, a boxing ring, a basketball and volleyball court. Very soon we hope to have a very good team of leather pushers as we already have a few very fine ex-Golden Glovers who can show what it takes to put a man in dreamland. Equipment for this sport has already been obtained by Mr. Fricke, our athletic officer. Our living quarters are in the hangars, but we have very high hopes of moving into the new Navy Barracks building which at the present time is not quite finished. Our office is also located in one of the hangars and there we have 1st Sgt. John J. Locke, Pvt. Maurice L. Gilchrist and Pvt. Walter J. Gaylord as clerks. In the Post Quartermaster's Office we have 1st Sgt. Wilfred S. Lafrancois and Corp. Hugh L. Smith, who recently joined from Philadelphia.

We furnish the guard for NAS, the Tenth Naval District Headquarters, and U. S. Naval Radio Station in the city of San Juan. Gy. Sgt. Humza and Pl. Sgt. Christian work the boys out on the field and Corp. Crews, our Police Sgt. gives the boys a workout after they finish drill. The

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change of climate has agreed with all of us but we miss the cold weather up north. As a whole the men enjoy themselves very much. Well, for the first time, we think this is enough, but we will be back again in THE LEATHERNECK.

It has been many a day since the **MD, RECEIVING STATION, PUGET SOUND NAVY YARD, BREMERTON, WASH.,** has appeared in print so it behooves yours truly to correct that matter. Our former scribe, Corp. Arthur G. Roberts, wrangled himself a ten day furlough, with a transfer to the MCB, San Diego, and now is pounding the hills with the mighty 8th Marines. We have lost our former Commanding Officer, First Lieut. Lawrence C. Hays, Jr., also to San Diego, all hands were definitely in a blue mood at his departure—good luck at your new station, Lieut. For a short period our CO was First Lieut. Philip C. Metzger from the MB, this Yard, and now we have First Lieut. Virgil E. Harris, from San Diego, as our CO. The Lieut. has taken full charge and things are running in their traditional smooth manner.

Some changes in personnel have occurred in recent months, Sgt. Chester C. Simning; Pfes. James L. Blackman and Perry A. Demastus have been lost to the Parachute Troops at Lakehurst, N. J. Happy Landings, fellows, may your chute always open. Corp. James R. Atkins now bunks at the MB, this Yard.

Recent joinings were Corp. William F. Bickel; Pfc. Werner R. Unger; Pvts. Grant R. Doyle; Edward Matuszak and Stanley B. Sampson, all from the MB, here.

Promotions have been fairly frequent and are as follows: Lyle F. Jackson to Sgt. James R. Atkins, Roland Stegeman, and Edward Hendrickson to Corp., and Loren M. Bird, Grant R. Doyel, Edward Matuszak, and Stanley B. Sampson to Pfc. Cigars were flowing freely (well—there was no liquid refreshments) and a good

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time was had by all. Much metal polish has been expended in keeping the new stripes shined up, or sompin'.

Our two short short timers, Corp. Bickel and Pfc. Earl W. Terwilliger, have their bags packed and waiting for the day when they will take their chances with the draft, and I don't mean a draft caused by the breeze.

Sgt. Leslie L. Cox held up his hand for an additional two years with the service of his choice and has just returned from a thirty-day vacation in the hills of Oregon, didn't appear to be much of a vacation though, lost more weight than could be removed by three ten-mile hikes per week.

Six of the Detachment were examined recently for promotion to the coveted rank of corporal and all wound up with qualifying marks and are now eagerly scanning the results of recruiting in an endeavor to foresee when the stripes will be forthcoming. Several have been rumored to have patronized a local soothsayer, whether the news was good or bad hasn't been noised about.

News that our long time patient in the hospital, Pfc. Emil G. Chapman, will return to the fold this month, is good news to all hands, his sojourn there has extended over four months. See you soon, Chapman.

This just about winds up the news from the banks of Sinclair Inlet and, until we are heard from again—when longer hikes are made in this area, we will make them. That's all!

Once more comes a report from the tropical paradise, **MARINE BARRACKS, SUBMARINE BASE, COCO SOLO, CANAL ZONE.** We feel ashamed of our previous record of breaking into the print once a year, but we promise that in the future you will be hearing from us more often.

Once again the Marines had the situation well in hand when Pfc. Douyea walked away with the first prize at two amateur contests held in the Sub Base movie hall, and in the Fort Randolph movie hall. Douyea had some stiff competition, but he came through with flying colors. Incidentally all the judges at the Sub Base were all Navy men and women, so he must have been good to get the unanimous vote when the rest of the contestants were from the Navy.

The cigars have been coming fast and furious lately, the most recently promoted men are from Pfc. to Corporal, Sam Scherr and Rayburn H. Nelson; the Privates to Pfc., thirty-two in all, are too numerous to mention here. Congratulations, fellows,

we'll be looking for another cigar real soon.

Swimming qualifications were held recently at Davis Beach and we are happy to report that there were very few who did not qualify. We couldn't help but make a good showing due to the fact we had six competent instructors, who are as follows: 1st Lts. R. Haas, E. W. DuRant, Jr., F. H. Lemmer and R. L. Ayres, Jr., and Corporals Sam Scherr and Roger Barnes.

Our most recent joinings at this post are 1st Lt. Raynor L. Ayres, Jr., USMCR, and Field Music Lloyd. We extend them both a hearty welcome and hope that they both enjoy their tour of duty here.

Our newly organized pistol team won their first match over the Transit Guard. We all feel that 1st Lt. E. W. Durant, Jr., and Sergeant Henry Grattan deserve a great deal of credit for the time and effort they have put into the team to make it one of the best, if not the best.

This article wouldn't be complete without mentioning the Quartermaster's Department, of which QM-Sgt. J. B. King is the N.C.O. in charge of clothing and public property and during his spasmodic absences Speed Beaty and his assistant, Joe Pot Brasier, are in charge. The personnel of the QM Department are anxiously awaiting the time for them to move into their new quarters, which were constructed wholly by the fellows connected with the QM Dept. Under the able direction of J. B. King. Assisting him were Corporal Pekot and J. L. Tice. Our garage is manned by a very efficient body of men under the guiding hand of Corporal W. C. Bartman. The driving force also includes "Cue" Crawford, Captain's chauffeur (Navy), Lightning Palmour and Major Kenyon's chauffeur, "Slim" Hodge.

And so till next month rolls around again we will close and venture to say "We shall see you soon, Adios."

Out of 400 sets of Marine Corps literature sent to graduating high school students in the **TULSA RECRUITING TERRITORY** there was one application received to date. It was from a girl who graduated on the 28th of May from the high school of a near-by city. From this it would appear that the girls of Oklahoma are more patriotic and ready to serve their country than are the boys. This is a sad state of affairs, indeed.

I have been receiving good reports from Ex-Marine Corporal Eugene Barnett Dawson, former Fourth Mariner and PX dog robber, now attending North Carolina State College, at Raleigh, North Carolina. Dawson has just successfully completed his freshman year in the School of Engineering (Electrical). Dawson was recently awarded a scholarship for being the best drilled freshman in the college. Once a Marine, always a Marine, Dawson. I hope to see you back in the Marine Corps as an officer before many years.

Wednesday night, 7 May, 1941, from 8 to 11, the Tulsa Smedley D. Butler Detachment of the Marine Corps League was host to the cast of the stage play, "The Tower," sponsored by the League. The play was presented to the public in April on the stage of the Woodrow Wilson High School. Percy Williams, '06, Adjutant and Paymaster, reported that although no great profit was made neither was the coffers of the Post Paymaster raided to make up a loss. Dance music was furnished by the popular "Juke Box," and also by a pair of comely cow girls who rendered many well-

received numbers via the Hawaiian steel guitar. A pounder of the ivories was worn to a frazzle playing for a group who danced the old time "Virginia Reel." Refreshments were hot dogs, assorted sandwiches, cold drinks, good coffee, and plenty of cookies. 'Twas rumored that other refreshments of Harry D. Varlie's Kentucky variety were to be had by looking in the right place, but your reporter was unable to locate the cache. Incidentally, the MPs with their BLACK MARIA were not in attendance.

Patriotism is sweeping the country, particularly among the mothers of those now in the service. Tommy Atkins again comes front and center, and it is high time the service man comes into his own. The NAVY MOTHERS CLUB, Barnhart Chapter No. 45 (Barnhart is a Navy Chief here on recruiting) broadcast a fifteen minute program over KTUL, Tulsa, through the cooperation of the Alice Joy program. Members of the club are mothers of enlisted sailors and marines now in the service. The program was appropriately opened with the organ playing "THE MARINES' HYMN." The chairman of publicity, Mrs. R. H. McCullough, Jr., (Past Commander NMCA No. 45) gave some interesting facts about the organization. The Club motto is a Home away from a Home. (Similar to the motto of YMCA.) The club loans money to stranded men on furlough, gives advice freely, sends boxes of goodies at Christmas, especially those behest of parents, write letters of cheer, and a host of other good services. Last Christmas the club sent out 117 boxes. (Ladies don't forget Staff Sergeant (PM) Theodore William Joseph Turcotte, MBNY, Boston, Massachusetts, who enjoys opening a package of goodies more than William A. Davis enjoys opening a fifth.) Last year the club made a substantial donation toward defraying expenses of a dance in San Diego. The club now has sixty-five members with fifteen charter members. The officers of the Navy Mothers Club of America are: Mrs. Frank Pessels, Commander, Mrs. Burdette Watts, Adjutant, Mrs. J. E. Albertson, Finance Officer, Mrs. A. E. Peterson, First Vice Commander, Mrs. Ernest Browne, (Marine mother) Second Vice Commander, Mrs. J. R. Fox, Judge Advocate, Mrs. Chas. Moan, Chaplain, Mrs. J. H. Jameson (Marine mother), Matron at Arms, Mrs. Raymond Graham, (Marine mother) Matron at Arms, Mrs. Betty Harris and Mrs. Ellen Summers, Color Bearers. Mrs. Jameson states that the mothers are very proud of the fact that every one of the sons now in the service have volunteered to help defend this country. The Tulsa Chapter recently sent a telegram to President Roosevelt pledging support of his National Defense program. So fellows, remember, you are being well represented at home.

Private Paul B. Rutherford, USMC, was a pleasant caller at this office several times last week. He is stationed at Camp Elliott, Calif., with the Maintenance Section of the Base Service Company.

Sergeant Harry J. Kuhns, of walla walla fame, is now stationed with the District office in Oklahoma City. Cartoons from the pens of Kuhns and Frank F. Zenman would be welcome additions to the pages of THE LEATHERNECK.

Sergeant Sam H. Bailey was transferred from Oklahoma City to Corpus Christi, Texas. Bailey only recently was transferred from Amarillo to Oklahoma City. Platoon Sergeant Charles A. Hyman was

transferred from DHS to McAlester to open a sub-station. Charlie bemoans the fact that McAlester doesn't even boast a baseball team. Sergeant Marvin G. Myers went from DHS to Ardmore, Oklahoma, to open a sub-station. Sergeant Reed M. Moberley was transferred from DHS to Little Rock, Arkansas. Sergeant William S. Brewer, USMCR(F) was transferred from Tulsa to Augusta, Georgia, where he is right at home according to a recent letter from him. Captain Thomas P. Jackson, USMCR, reported at Oklahoma City on 12 May, and departed same date for Little Rock, Arkansas, for duty as OIC. Sergeant Leon S. Waters, CasCo, MCB, San Diego, Sergeant John R. Ball, USMCR, Dallas, Sergeant Emory E. McKeen, Dallas, all joined DHS, Oklahoma City, during the month of May. McKeen went to Little Rock on 27 May, however. Corporal Oscar T. Flippo reported at DHS from Camp Elliott. Lieutenant Robert E. Snider, temporarily attached to DHS, was detached to 11th Naval District, FFT USS "New Orleans." Lt. Snider has been procuring candidates for commission in the Marine Corps Reserve from various colleges and universities in this recruiting territory. Brig. Gen. A. E. Ostermann, the A & I, visited DHS on the 9th of May in connection with recruiting.

Sam H. Bailey from Pfc to line Corporal; Sergeant Sidney M. Ragsdale from line Sergeant to Platoon Sergeant. Congratulations fellows, and don't stop with one promotion.

With the coming of June the summer concert season of the UNITED STATES MARINE BAND gets into full swing. Starting on Monday, June 2nd, the band began its scheduled dress-parades and outdoor concerts. On Mondays and Fridays at 5:00 P.M. here at the Marine Barracks in Washington the band participates in the colorful dress-parades which are always attended by a large audience. Sometimes, from the MGC's Quarters at the northern end of the parade ground, the Major General Commandant and his guests are interested spectators of these formations. The parades are always inspiring, what with the colorful uniforms of the troops and the martial strains of the Marine Band, and an invitation is hereby extended to all who happen to be in the city on the above days to attend the ceremonies.

In addition to the parades the band has its regular weekly band concerts. The three scheduled concerts are: Mondays at 8:00 P.M. at the Marine Barracks; Wednesdays at 7:30 P.M. at the U. S. Capitol; and Thursdays at 7:30 P.M. at the World War Memorial in Potomac Park. Besides these three concerts the band gives several concerts a week on the grounds of the government hospitals here in Washington. All are open to the public and there is no admission charged.

The band was quite disappointed on Wednesday, June 4th. The honor of opening the concert season at the U. S. Capitol has always been given to the Marine Band but five minutes before it was to begin playing Washington had a miniature cloudburst and as a result the privilege of playing the first concert went to one of the other two service bands. However we have the whole summer season ahead of us yet and we'll make up for it by putting on some really outstanding programs.



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Since the last, and incidentally the first, time which we contributed to these pages this company has seen a change in name and also in base. Instead of Third Tank Company we are now **COMPANY A, FIRST TANK BATTALION, 1MD, FMF**, and are at the present time stationed on Parris Island, S. C., in the Fifth Defense Battalion area.

It was a happy day for all the personnel concerned when this outfit set out for the States and home. There were not very many regrets over leaving Guantanamo Bay, as the majority of the fellows were looking anxiously ahead and anticipating a long awaited furlough. The shores of home were surely by far the best sight for sore eyes that there ever was and many were the expressions of pleasure when we finally hove into sight of the good old United States.

Upon arriving at the Navy Yard in Charleston, S. C., we disembarked from the USS "McCawley" and rejoined the detail which had arrived at an earlier date under the command of Captain Walseth. All details had been made for the conveying of our tanks overland to Parris Island and after the usual preparations we set out. The tank crews of course proceeded by tank, while the remainder of the organization proceeded by reconnaissance car and train.

The natives of the route along which the tanks passed on their journey had probably never before in all their life seen a procession such as the one which they had the privilege to witness then. According to some of the tank crews, it was an interesting trip and the people showed real interest in the goings-on.

Captain Harvey S. Walseth (who received and accepted his commission as a captain while yet stationed at Guantanamo Bay) is at the present time attending the school of the Armored Force Detachment for tank personnel at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Our CO, Major Charles G. Meints, is at the present time on leave, but is due back in a very few days. We call him Major now because of the fact that he also made the grade to the next highest rank, only just recently. Looks like we ought to be smoking some pretty good high priced cigars presently. Havana's.

Approximately one-half of us took the first furlough period and now, according to all reports, over half of them shipped over into the happier (they hope) system of living. Wonder what the girls think? Now we are sitting tight and waiting for the other half to report back so we can find out how they fared with the fairer sex.

We have received a goodly number of Pfc. promotions and many of the ex-privates are happily regarding their bigger pay checks with a look of extreme joy and an extravagant gleam in their eyes. Also, we manage to get our share of the chow since we now have an assistant cook, Earl M. Greathouse, in our outfit. All of the men who attended radio school in Cuba have been assigned to Communication Personnel, so our tank radios are well manned. Our ex-radio Sergeant, William C. Jones, has shipped over on the outside and so far we hear he is getting along fine. We wish to him the best of luck.

Here we are again, all back from furlough and ready to start all over again. It was a great surprise to most of the men of **HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, 3RD**

BATTALION, 7TH MARINES, when they came back and found that the strength of the battalion was increased almost double. Talk about surprises, so many of the men were promoted that it is almost impossible to mention their names, but we wish to congratulate all of them and much luck to the men who are trying so hard for their next rating.

We have a number of new officers who joined this company during the month and we wish to extend our heartiest welcome and hope that their stay with us will be pleasant.

It just seems as though we will never be able to nest in one place long enough to become acquainted with the terrain. It won't be long before we will be shoving off again for some unknown destination. Let it come, we are ready.

Well, we are glad to have Sgt. Majors Hanrahan and Mattia back in the groove again. I often wonder how Sgt. Major Hanrahan stands up under the strain, it must be because he has a good sense of humor and a strong constitution. The old saying goes, "Once a good Marine, always a good Marine."

Pardon my newsamatical mind if I cut this letter short. We will be back again next month with much more news of just as much interest, I hope.

COMPANY I, of the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, is very happy to welcome Capt. Seasword and 2nd Lieut. Lind to our outfit. With these two new officers we are sure to show more fight and snap than we have shown in the past. We also wish to take this opportunity to congratulate our new sergeant and corporals; if they keep up the good work that has won them their recent promotions, they will be busy sewing on more stripes.

If we can believe any of the scuttlebutt, it looks as though our stay in our comfortable new quarters is about to end; in fact, the barracks are so comfortable the men of the outfit feel out of place and many of them can't wait to start our new maneuvers or any other duties that they are called to perform.

However, as long as we remain here if there is any outfit that think it has a good softball team we will gladly take them on. Our team, as it stands now, is hard to beat. It will be even stronger when some of our "stars" come back from furlough. Until you hear from us again we hope to accumulate just lots of news.

Once again the voice of **COMPANY K**, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, looms merrily across the horizon! We are in the States now, residing comfortably in our new barracks, which have just been completed.

Many of us have returned from furlough and the rest of us are now enjoying themselves some place on the outside. Those of us who are here at present appreciate the bi-weekly dances held at Beaufort and the nearness to Savannah (the ones who were never stationed in Quantico).

We have come back with a new zest for the work in store for us and the clean, comfortable barracks and excellent chow make us hope it will be quite some time before we are again asked to set foot on foreign soil.

THE LEATHERNECK

Our new company commander, Capt. Don C. Hart, is on leave, so we haven't seen him yet. 2nd Lieut. Charles H. Brush, Jr., is acting CO., with 2nd Lieut. Edward V. Finn assisting. First Sergeant Mc-Gradey Hill is back in the company after about thirty-five days in Headquarters and Service Company.

We have two new corporals in our company, although to date they don't know it. They are Jack T. Hanson and Irvin Cohen.

Hello Readers! Here is **COMPANY L**, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, again with all the dope from stem to stern in our new barracks. To tell the truth about it, everybody is so happy about being under a roof for once that the dope is coming from every direction. At the present time everybody is in a quandary about the next move of the Seventh Marines, and the scuttlebutt we are hearing takes us to the North Pole, South Pole, and all points east and west.

Today is the last day for all furloughs and once again we will have all the boys back together again for the first time in two months. Along with the return of our own members comes twenty-two (22) new Marines from the First Regiment. Most of them left "L" Company a while back, so they will not be strangers to a good number of we old-timers. Also to join our midst were eleven recruits, fresh from the loving, gentle arms of a drill instructor here at P. I. At any rate, they are right on the job and we hope to make fighting Marines out of every last one of them. There is nothing our non-coms like better than a fresh supply of snappy recruits to teach the fine art of extended order drill.

Well, readers, I could pass on the scuttlebutt to you, but I would rather wait till the real dope that I know is true, comes out. Until then, remember "L" company is in there all the time and next issue I'll give you the low-down on some of our officers and non-commissioned officers who are responsible for the well being of Company "L."

Well, for the most of **COMPANY M**, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, furlough is over, and it's back to our daily routine. Christmas came early for the boys this year, many received twenty and thirty days furlough and upon return were presented with additional stripes.

We extend congratulations to Gy. Sgt. William G. Ferringo, a man who well deserves his new rating. Promotions have been occurring so often lately that we now find them too numerous to mention in detail, but wish to congratulate all concerned.

Well, I guess it's back to plain machine gun company again. Gy. Sgt. O'Neil rounded up his boys, packed up his mortars and took off. We were sorry to see them leave the company; maybe some day they will be with us again.

Company "M" wishes to welcome the new and promising men who have recently joined our flock I'm slightly puzzled, the fellows seem to be losing their tan; I can't decide if its lack of Cuban sunshine, or a shower a day.

Who's that cook who went on furlough and didn't tie his car to a post? It was located later somewhere in Florida. Our softball team seems to be shaping up fairly well; we are very fortunate to have a

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few old veterans with us. The star player by popular vote is Paul Trammell.

Our quarters have been changed from the Rifle Range tents to the Main Station barracks. Everyone appreciates the change, the only objection I find pertains to radios. The 1st Sgt. and the FM seem to have a feud, they have been battling all week trying to find out whose radio will play the loudest. We wish to welcome Lt. Joseph, and sincerely hope he enjoys his duty with this organization.

The morning is cloudy as **BATTERY A**, 1ST BATTALION, 11TH MARINES, gets set to swing into action for soon we'll be hitting the trail for points south—no one seems to know where. "There's never a dull moment" sure fits the picture. Upon the return of the "first furloughites" the rest of the battery made tracks for their stamping grounds and that variety that wise men call "the spice of life." Camp life was easily resumed with hikes into the boondocks—the hills left us panting, night motor marches—the last one was terrific due to the dust caused by the dry spell, and regular RSOP operations. An echo of recent days around Cuba was a landing made in the muddy Potomac. It wasn't at all bad, even though only half of the battery was there to wade knee deep with the howitzer assembly.

The firing range was set aside for those who hadn't fired the range last year mostly the Reserves. Thus far they've had about two weeks of practice firing. It is doubtful whether they will fire for record. Pfc. Ingles had an appendix operation and is now convalescing on light duty, while Pfc. Weathers is slowly recovering from a mild attack of jaundice. Pfc. Campbell has a touch of poison oak, but he's not complaining, just scratching.

In the field of sport the results of the First Battalion's "round robin" of indoor ball find us in first place with 8 wins and 2 losses. Sgt. Truluck was the manager. Aside from the nightly movies we enjoyed a hilarious stage show with Ray King's Orchestra on the beam with plenty of jive.

Quite a number of promotions came thru lately. Of last month we'll mention that former police sergeant, now Platoon Ser-



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Washington and the surrounding towns very often play host to the Marines who travel by train or passenger car right after liberty call at four, until nest reveille and really have a swell time.

Major General Smith and his staff of officers were hosts to the visiting General Craig, of the British forces, in observing the tank, armored car and motorcycle units at the Parade Grounds, while Battery "A" got into action from traveling position, unlimbering the 75mm pack howitzers and setting of the first round within a few moments of the halt. The commendable efficiency is a result of the able direction of our Battery Commander, 1st Lt. Banks, Battery Executive 1st Lt. Verbeck, Motor Officer 2nd Lt. Nevins, and Reconnaissance Officer 2nd Lt. Dueber. There's a lot of work in store for us and we all wonder what the future will be. I'll be able to tell you more a month from now.

Most of the boys in **COMPANY E, SECOND BATTALION, SEVENTH MARINES**, are still blinking and rubbing their eyes from the swell 28-day furlough they just had. While half of the company was gone, the latter group were handed out ratings galore.

Hats off to Second Lieutenant Claude M. Cappelmann, who made First Lieutenant rating, and to Corporals H. W. Stein and G. Maples, who now have three stripes. New Corporals are B. L. Mims, C. A. Campisi, J. W. Craft and B. C. Sparks. Bad news to this company was the losing of First Lieutenant Marks, our company commander. Commander A. H. Marks stepped down to welcome Capt. A. L. Andrews as the new skipper. We all extend a hearty welcome to him and feel sure Company E will roll along as ever before.

Confidentially, your eve-dropping reporter hopes that rumors concerning First Lieutenant A. L. Marks' leaving the company have no origin. At the present he has been assigned as executive officer to this company. Well, getting back to the company, we all received orders to fire the Browning automatic rifle. The percentage of qualifications proved very high, and most everyone left the rifle range with smiling faces.

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By

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We dedicate this month's column to all Navy Mail Clerks in general, and particularly to Marines—ashore and afloat—who have been assigned to such duty.

The task of expediting the delivery of mail, even in peace time, to members of Marine Corps or naval units is not an easy one. Unlike the civilian postman whose patrons generally maintain a permanent address, and who makes comparatively few changes in his listings, the Navy Mail Clerk faces the necessity of keeping up with perhaps a monthly change of as high as fifty percent of the personnel in the units he serves.

Prompt readdressing and forwarding of mail to transferred personnel is in itself a large job, yet it is usually accomplished with such dispatch that, in the case of a distant transfer, mail frequently arrives at a man's new station before its owner reports there for duty.

Navy Mail Clerks are responsible, in large measure, for maintaining a high morale throughout the service. Motion pictures, supervised athletics, and other forms of recreation all play their part, but delay in receipt of an expected letter from relatives or friends can create the "blues" more quickly than assignment of E.P.D. or a week's restriction of liberty.

Because of their close association with things philatelic, many Navy Mail Clerks become ardent stamp and cover collectors. Perhaps their seeing a constant stream of different kinds of stamps flow through their fingers creates a desire to know just how many varieties there are. Perhaps the different markings in the cancellations prove attractive. Whatever the reason, a large majority of clerks, including both

ship and shore stations, are collectors.

One national organization of collectors—The Universal Ship Cancellation Society—includes in its membership over two hundred Navy Mail Clerks. Naval stations from Newfoundland to China are represented in the addresses of these members, as well as almost every vessel of the fleet on which a postoffice has been established.

Frequently—in fact, daily—Navy Mail Clerks are called upon to assist civilian collectors with their philatelic problems. No sooner is a new ship commissioned or a new station established than the clerk in charge of mail receives hundreds of requests from all over the country for sample markings of his postmarking stamp (cancel). In addition, on anniversaries of events with which his ship or station was associated, he is flooded with requests that covers be canceled with the anniversary date.

Without exception, Navy Mail Clerks try to fulfil these requests, provided they do not conflict with postal regulations or interfere with the proper performance of their official duties. However, if the request is for something not permitted by postal regulations, or if it conflicts with naval orders, the Navy Mail Clerk generally does not simply ignore it. Instead, he usually tells the collector why the request cannot be met. Perhaps his being a collector causes him to sympathize with other collectors, and use hours of his own time to advise and counsel.

In return for this extra effort on the part of Navy Mail Clerks, many collector groups have endeavored to find ways to return the favor. On both the east and west coasts of the country, local chapters

of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society have standing invitations to all clerks to attend chapter meetings whenever they are in port.

This year, on August 29, 30, and 31, the National Convention of the U.S.C.S. will be held at Boston. All Navy Mail Clerks are invited to attend, and it is expected that most of those in the New England area, from Portsmouth, N. H., to Newport, R. I., will be at one or more of the meetings. Undoubtedly, the Boston Navy Yard will be represented, as well as such naval vessels in port there.

The Committee on Exhibits is planning for a large exhibition of naval and merchant marine covers, arrangements for a bourse and an auction are being made, and a special banquet will climax the meetings.

In addition, the Post Office Department is expected to establish a special Convention Post Office at the hotel where the Convention is held, and cachet and postmark collectors may forward addressed covers, bearing first class postage, to the Boston Chapter. These covers will be given the official convention cachet and returned to the addressees from the Convention Post Office. There is no charge for this service to any collector.

Poster stamp collectors may obtain a set of four official convention poster stamps—each printed in a different color—for only 10c, plus a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Orders for poster stamps, as well as other inquiries relating to the Convention may be sent to **OLD IRONSIDES CHAPTER NO. 1, COPLEY SQUARE HOTEL, BOSTON, MASS.**

Marine Corps Institute Page

REGISTRAR REMINDERS

Most persons are adverse to following helpful hints, but in the case of these listed here the hints are double-barreled; that is, they help both this office and the student body.

When sending your lesson to the Marine Corps Institute, you naturally expect to have it returned to you posthaste. BUT—and this is a mighty large “but”—Did it ever occur to you that some students send their lessons to Quantico, others leave out their name, address, or other necessary detail. We have received snap-shots, stamps, birth certificates, unpaid bills, and warrants, mixed in with lessons or with returned textbooks. The Registrar's Office of the Marine Corps Institute prides itself on fast service, but, even then, it is slowed a bit by the “little things” listed under the DON'TS. So read carefully, observe, and please cooperate.

The Registrars' Office can and does handle every month more than 5,500 lesson papers, and 1,000 new enrollments, changes of courses, inquiries, etc. Its trained staff is able and willing to answer any question not relating to the subject matter of the lessons themselves. Be sure to write for assistance on any point not clear to you.

DON'T send in more than one application for the same course. Wait a reasonable length of time, and remember that M.C.I. mail is not air mail.

DON'T give as your address the city in which your “SHIP” is temporarily berthed. This office knows the home port of all ships.

DON'T use freak addresses such as “room 5” or “company street.”

DON'T write illegibly. Be sure you print your name on the application blank. Sometimes other students have similar names. Make certain everything you write, including your signature, may be understood

without difficulty. If your name stamp for clothes is correct, you may use this stamp on your lessons, letters, and other correspondence to the Marine Corps Institute.

DON'T crowd your work when preparing a lesson. Leave between answers a space for the instructors' comments and corrections, and write on only one side of

“GENIUS is only the power of making continuous efforts. The line between failure and success is so fine that we scarcely know when we pass it: so fine that we are often on the line and do not know it. How many a man has thrown up his hands at a time when a little more effort, a little more patience, would have achieved success. As the tide goes clear out, so it comes clear in. A little more persistence, a little more effort, and what seemed hopeless failure may turn to glorious success. There is no failure except in no longer trying. There is no defeat except from within, no really insurmountable barrier save our own inherent weakness of purpose.”

—Elbert Hubbard.

a sheet of paper.

DON'T use odd-sized paper. Try to obtain standard letterhead size which is 8 x 10½.

INITIATIVE

“The world bestows its big prizes, both in money and in honors, for but one thing. And that is *Initiative*. What is *Initiative*?

I'll tell you: It is doing the right thing without being told. But next to doing the right thing without being told is to do it when you are told once. That is to say, carry the Message to Garcia!

“Next, there are those who never do a thing until they are told twice: such gets no honors and small pay.

“Next, there are those who do the right thing only when Necessity kicks them from behind, and these get indifference instead of honors and a pittance for pay. This kind spends most of its time polishing a bench with a hard luck story. Then, still lower down in the scale than this, we find the fellow who will not do the right thing even when some one goes along to show him how, and stays to see that he does it: he is always out of a job, and receives the contempt he deserves, unless he has a rich Pa, in which case Destiny patiently awaits around the corner with a stuffed club. To which class do you belong?”

—Elbert Hubbard.

SELECTED “BITS” FROM LESSON PAPERS:

This man has been in an automobile accident and he speaks broken English.

A heavy hand was laid on his shoulder just as he turned the coroner.

Some trucks are adopted for carrying livestock.

Assignment: Use *KINDLE* in a sentence. Will you *kindle* go home?

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS INSTITUTE Marine Barracks, Washington, D. C.

Please send me information regarding the courses included in the group before which I have marked an X:

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THE TORPEDO


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pin. Some war heads are also fitted with a device to disarm the nose should the torpedo reverse its course and thus become a source of danger to the firing ship or its consorts.

For practice purposes, a collapsible head of corresponding weight and center of gravity is used. This type of head carries a small charge of calcium phosphide, whose smoke and flame facilitate locating and recovering the torpedo.

The air flask is a steel chamber of sufficient strength to contain a charge of air at pressure ranging from 2,500 to 3,000 pounds per square inch. Usually one or both heads of the flask are made removable so that the interior of the flask can be made free from dirt and rust.

The sheet-steel immersion chamber is a water-tight compartment that contains the depth gear. This is the ingenious device that Whitehead perfected to control the torpedo in the horizontal plane, and although the methods of application and the engineering features have been improved again and again, the principal remains the same. The gear consists of a pendulum and a hydrostatic piston so interconnected by linkage that the resultant effect of the two mechanisms, acting through an air-operated steering engine, controls the horizontal rudders and maintains the torpedo on the horizontal course for which it is set to run. The hydrostatic piston can be set to a predetermined spring tension that corresponds to the water pressure at the depth the torpedo is to run. If there is a deviation from the set depth the piston moves in or out as the case may be and operates the rudders. Should the torpedo incline up or down the pendulum assumes control.



But the device does more. Suppose the torpedo is too deep and, at the same time, is inclined to nose up. The piston wants to bring the torpedo up, while the pendulum's duty is to take it down. Whitehead's invention takes care of this and similar combinations of circumstances, the linkage being so contrived that the proper rudder is always applied. Most torpedoes can be set to run at any desired depth between 5 and 50 feet below the surface of the water.

Some years ago the Navy Department made a comical error in connection with a depth gear. An officer of the Navy on duty aboard obtained information concerning a new type of depth gear. It was sketchy information, but from the few details he furnished, designers developed an excellent gear. After it had been installed in several hundred new torpedoes a foreign inventor demanded royalty. It had to be paid, because an investigation disclosed the existence of a United States patent on the device. So much for some kinds of sleuthing!

The engine room, made of sheet-steel, contains the propelling unit, which is operated by compressed air. The development of the Whitehead torpedo was undertaken by the British Navy, which soon introduced a new power plant. This was a radial three-cylinder engine known as the Brotherhood, after the firm of that name which designed it. The British still use a development of this engine.

Around the turn of the century this country produced a torpedo genius in Frank M. Leavitt, who invented a turbine drive for torpedoes. Through the years this drive has been continually improved and it is now the only propelling mechanism installed in our torpedoes. Previously we had tested several types of torpedoes, having acquired our first Whitehead in 1883. Thereafter we continued to use White-

heads, manufacturing them in this country until about 1915, when we turned to the turbine drive exclusively. In the turbine unit the stages turn in opposite directions to prevent a disturbing turning torque being created, and an attached train of gears keeps the stages in step.

The engine room usually contains the starting valve, which is actuated when the torpedo begins to leave the tube. This valve also starts the gyro. Another device permits the torpedo to be adjusted for distance and speed. Naturally, the shorter the distance to be run the higher the available speed. A means is provided for causing a spent torpedo to sink.

The afterbody, also made from sheet steel, is water tight to provide buoyancy, and it contains, among many other things, the gyro. Fastened to it is the tail, which is made from a steel forging. The tail has large vertical and horizontal fins, which help stabilize the torpedo on its longitudinal axis. The vertical and horizontal rudders are hinged to these fins. Immediately astern of the tail are two propellers which revolve in opposite directions, thus eliminating any tendency to roll the torpedo or to produce a side thrust.

When improvements in torpedoes gave them ranges of around 1,200 yards it became difficult to obtain straight shots at extreme range, and a means for controlling them in the lateral direction was sought. An Austrian named Obry filled this need with a small gyroscope, and for many years all torpedo gyroscopes were known as Obry gears.

The original—and, for the time, satisfactory—design was a toy affair that was spun by a spring. The gyro operated a little air engine, which in turn controlled the vertical rudders. In the modern torpedo the gyro is an intricate mechanism that receives continuous impulse throughout the run of the torpedo, and it operates for such a length of time that corrections for latitude have to be applied to it for counteracting the effect of the earth's rotation.

The gyro is started while the torpedo is still in the tube, so that its axis corresponds with that of the tube. However, it may not be convenient to point the tube in the direction that it is desired to have the torpedo go. In order to provide flexibility in handling torpedoes gyroscopes are constructed so they can quickly be set for any predetermined angle to the axis of the tube. After entering the water the torpedo turns through this angle before starting on its straight course. By means of this device broadside tubes can fire torpedoes on any course, from directly ahead to dead astern.

Mr. Leavitt soon began experimenting with the problem of obtaining more work from a charge of air by heating it. The principal was a simple one; merely taking some of the air to support the combustion of sufficient fuel, of a high caloric value, to heat the remainder of the air. However, it proved a difficult undertaking and many years passed before a reasonably satisfactory solution was reached. Torpedo ranges then ran up to around 5,000 yards.

About 1908 rumors were circulated that the British had a new device that was going to give all their torpedoes marked supremacy over ours. The secret was closely held for several years—much longer than such secrets usually can be retained—but eventually the details became known.

The scheme was another simple one, but again there was great difficulty in applying it in a satisfactory manner. In brief it was to use the entire charge of air for burning fuel. To temper the terrific temperatures produced, water was sprayed into the flame, and the bases of combustion, plus the generated steam, all passed to the engine and prolonged the length of time that it would run. Torpedo ranges again increased, 8,000 yards being obtained.

An amusing yarn went the rounds about 1910. It was to



the effect that one of Britain's jealously guarded torpedoes was lost in target practice. Later it floated and was picked up and taken into a German port by one of their fishing boats. Exactly what the British did not want to happen!

It is interesting to note that because the intense cold produced by the expanding air caused the Brotherhood engine to stick and often to freeze up, the engine compartment was made non-watertight so that the seawater could warm the engine. When heat was introduced into the engine, seawater served to cool the engine.

The torpedo's reducing valve was probably the most difficult problem to solve. All sorts of schemes have been tried, and for years it was a seeming impossibility to devise a valve that could produce a steady pressure of, say 150 pounds at the engine, while the flask pressure varied from 2,500 pounds down to 150. Tandem, triplet and even quadruple valves were tried and all found wanting. Patient effort, over a period of many years, has at last produced a reasonably satisfactory solution to the problem.

Only those who have had dealings with torpedoes know how temperamental they can be. Unless every adjustment is perfectly made, and every jot of the delicate mechanism with which a torpedo is packed is in perfect condition, there will be trouble. A tiny air leak in one of the numerous lines of piping, or a speck of dirt in working parts, machined to tolerances of five to 10 thousandths of an inch, will often prevent a torpedo making a successful run.

The modern torpedo is a marvel of engineering design, and exceptionally skillful workmanship is required in its production. Aside from the matter of complicated mechanisms within the torpedo, the design involves intricate questions of strength, weight, and, above all, balance. The torpedo, when fully loaded with explosive, air, water, fuel and oil, must be in perfect balance, both fore and aft and athwartships. It must run on an even keel, for should it heel, the vertical and horizontal rudders do not function as designed, and erratic runs result.

In most navies, the 21-inch torpedo is the largest in regular use. These torpedoes are about 22 feet long, weigh around a ton and a half, cost some \$10,000 and carry up to 600 pounds of TNT.

Our capital ships and most of our cruisers are not equipped with the torpedoes, but similar types of vessels abroad include them in their armaments.

Most battleships that carry torpedoes and all submarines have torpedo tubes of the submerged type, from which torpedoes are ejected by compressed air. Cruisers and torpedo craft carry their torpedoes in above-water tubes which

use a powder charge. At one time, air expulsion was used with above-water tubes. This method had the advantage of giving no flash to warn an enemy that a torpedo was on its way, but the powder charge permits the firing unit to be self-contained and eliminates the danger of torpedo tubes being rendered useless should air connections be shot away in action. Torpedoes are released from airplanes by disengaging the straps which secure them to the planes.

Modern battle ranges so far exceed torpedo ranges that we consider the use of torpedoes by battleships to be problematical. When low visibility exists, there is always the possibility of contact with enemy heavy forces at reduced ranges, but despite this contingency, we decided that the weight and space required by torpedoes on our battleships should be given over to more useful purposes, and their torpedo installations have been removed.

Torpedoes in deck tubes are a potential source of grave danger to vessels under fire, and for this reason they have been eliminated from all our large cruisers. It is a destroyer's business to carry torpedoes, and with them the danger attending the use of deck tubes must be accepted.

The great damage inflicted on ships by torpedoes during the World War brought about a redesign of ship's hulls. In new ships the interior structures were strengthened and more minutely subdivided into compartments. Such ships have what amounts to three complete hulls, one within another. Existing ships were fitted with false outer sides called bulges.

To be most effective a torpedo must explode in contact with a ship's bottom. The intervention of only a few inches of water will deaden and dissipate the force of the explosion, and a torpedo detonating against a bulge, a matter of feet from a ship's side, will wreck the easily repaired bulge, but will do no serious damage to the ship.

The torpedo is distinctly a weapon of opportunity. It is useless unless it is at the right spot at the right time. And it must be handled by experts, trained in its care and preparation for use, and in calculating the angle at which it must be fired to reach a moving target. Even the most perfectly fired torpedo has the tactical weakness of the exhaust gases leaving a wake, which, under average conditions, can be seen for a long distance. This telltale warning enabled many ships at the Battle of Jutland to evade incoming torpedoes by skillful maneuvering.

In action ships endeavor to hold as rigidly as possible to their course to prevent disruption of the gun ranges which have been established. Should changes in course be required, they are made in easy stages; advance information

being furnished the fire control so that the steady flow of information to the guns will continue without interruption. Sudden and abrupt changes, such as are necessary for dodging approaching torpedoes, will definitely interrupt the fire, and may prove to be a means of escape for a hard-pressed foe. In the Battle of Jutland the Germans twice launched torpedo attacks against the British battle line and disrupted its fire to such an extent that the way was paved for the

escape of the German fleet from what appeared to be certain destruction.

Given the opportunity, and properly handled, the torpedo is capable of doing great damage, and the menace of a torpedo attack will always be uppermost in the thoughts of naval officers who are responsible for the control of men-of-war in time of war.

THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN

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nity superior" to any British aircraft, the Royal Air Force used the Spitfire, the Hurricane and occasionally the Boulton-Paul Defiant.

The Spitfire Mark I was a single-seater fighter with a Rolls-Royce Merlin engine. It was a low-wing, all metal cantilever monoplane armed with eight Browning machine guns, four in each wing set to fire forward outside the airscrew disc. The maximum speed was about 366 m.p.h. The Hawker Hurricane Mark I was also a single-seater fighter similarly engined and armed. Its maximum speed was 335 m.p.h. In both these aircraft the pilot was protected by front and back armour. The Boulton-Paul Defiant was a two-seater fighter with a Rolls-Royce engine. It was an all metal, low-wing cantilever monoplane, and was armed with four Browning machine guns mounted in a power-operated turret.

With such machines as these the Royal Air Force and the Luftwaffe faced each other on 8th August when the battle began.

THE BRITISH FIGHTER FORCE ON GUARD

Before describing it something must first be said about our methods of defense, although it is not easy to do this without giving away "state secrets."

The governing principle is that a sufficient strength of fighters must be assembled at the required height over a given place where it can intercept the oncoming enemy raid and break it up before it can reach its objective.

There is a general agreement that the principle of employing standing patrols is impracticable owing to its wastefulness. To keep a sufficient strength of fighters always in the air to guard our shores from attack would be beyond the powers of the biggest air force imaginable. The Fighter Force is therefore kept on the ground in the interest of economy of effort, and only ordered off the grounds when air raids appear imminent.



Information regarding the approach of the enemy is obtained by a variety of methods and co-ordinated and passed to the "operations rooms." The coastline of Britain is divided into sectors each with its own Fighter Airdromes and Headquarters. These Sectors are grouped together under a conveniently situated Group Headquarters which in its turn comes under the general control of Headquarters, Fighter Command. The information about enemy raids is illustrated by various symbols on a large map table in Group and Sector Operations Rooms, the aim being to

give each "controller" the same picture of the progress of the raid in his particular area. In addition to this the Controllers have all possible information set out before them, such as the location and "state" of their own Squadrons, the weather and cloud conditions all over their area. They are also in touch with Anti-aircraft Defenses and Balloon Barrages.



Squadrons are maintained at their Sector Aerodromes at various "states of preparedness." The most relaxed state is "released," which means that the Squadron is not required to operate until a specified hour and the personnel can be employed in routine maintenance, flying training and instruction, organized games, and that in some cases they may leave the station. Next comes "Available," which means the Squadrons must prepare to be in the air within so many minutes of receiving the order. "Readiness" reduces this to a minimum and is the most advanced state normally used. Occasionally "stand-by" is used, which means that the pilots are seated in their aircraft, with the engines "off," but all pointing into the wind and ready to start up and take off, the moment the leader gets his orders from the Controller.

In good weather conditions and when there is reason to expect an attack, Squadrons are perforce kept at a high state of "preparedness" which is relaxed as much as possible when the weather deteriorates. The broad principle is usually to keep one part of the force at "readiness," a second part at "advanced available" and a third at "normal available." When the attack develops, the "readiness" Squadrons are ordered off in appropriate formations and the "available" Squadrons are ordered to "readiness" and used as a reserve to meet a second or third attack or to protect aerodromes or vulnerable points such as aircraft factories.

These orders are issued by the Controller whose function it is to study the Operations Room Map and put a suitable number of aircraft into the air at selected points to intercept the oncoming raids, or to cover vulnerable points. His duty also is to keep a constant watch on his resources so as not to run the risk of being caught by the third or fourth wave of raids, with all his Squadrons on the ground "landed and refueling." It must be remembered that the endurance of a modern Fighter aircraft, if it is to have ample margin for full throttle work, climbing and fighting, is limited. Allowance must also be made for the journey back to the parent station, especially if visibility is bad.

With the tracks of the enemy raid and of his own Fighters before his eyes, the Controller's task of making an inter-

ception is in theory a comparatively simple mathematical problem. He is in constant touch with his Fighters by radio telephone, is able to give them orders to change course from time to time, so as to put them in the best position for attack.

Once the Fighters report that they have "sighted the enemy," the Controller's task is over, except that he may have to give them a course to bring them back to their airdromes when the battle is over. The "enemy sighted" signal, the "Tally-ho," is at once transmitted to Group HQ and recorded on the Squadron state indicator. The Red Letter day for any Group was on 27th September, when, in No. 11 Group, 21 Squadrons out of 21 ordered up were able to report "enemy sighted." But the successful interception of raids is not always so easy. In practice exercises before the war, thirty per cent interception was thought satisfactory and fifty per cent very good. When the test came, however, the percentage rose to seventy-five, ninety, and sometimes a hundred. This consistently high rate of interception made it possible for our superiority in pilots and aircraft to achieve its full effect.

The task of the Controller in setting the stage for the battle is governed by one factor—accurate and timely information about the raids. In clear weather with little or no clouds, the raiders came over at such high altitudes that they were almost invisible, even with the use of binoculars. The numbers of aircraft employed made a confusion of noise in the high atmosphere and thus increased the difficulty of detecting raids by sound. In cloudy weather this difficulty was increased, for the Observer Corps had then to rely entirely on sound. In view of these difficulties, that Corps and other sources of information deserve very great credit for the remarkably clear, and timely picture of the situation they presented to the Controllers. These, then, set the pieces on the wide chessboard of the English skies and made the opening moves in the contest on the outcome of which the safety of all free peoples depended. Flexibility was their motto. Each day the Controllers held a conference at which every idea or device for thinking and acting one step ahead of their cunning and resourceful foe was set forth, earnestly discussed and, if found useful, adopted. Without this system of central control, no battle, in the proper sense of the word would have taken place. Squadrons would have gone up haphazard as and when enemy raids were reported. They would either have found themselves heavily outnumbered or with no enemy at all confronting them.

Great care was taken to keep the burden of the fight distributed as equally as possible between all the Squadrons engaged. This was achieved by hard training which continued right through the battle. Whenever there was a lull, new formations were devised and flown, new tactics practiced. No squadron was ever thrown into a fight without previous experience of fighting. They were carefully "nursed" and went into action under the leadership of an experienced squadron leader with many hours of combat to his credit. The importance of teamwork was fully realized. It was a lesson learned in France during the battles of May and June, and fortunately many of the pilots who fought in them were in positions of command during the battle of Britain. Their knowledge and experience were invaluable.

THE GERMAN COMMAND PLANS A KNOCKOUT

The avowed object of the enemy was to obtain a quick decision and to end the war by the autumn or early winter

of 1940. To achieve this an invasion of Britain was evidently thought to be essential. Preparations to launch it were pushed forward with great energy and determination throughout the last days of June, the month of July and the first week of August. By the 8th August the enemy felt himself ready to begin the opening phase, on the success of which his plan depended. Before the German Army could land it was necessary to destroy our coastal convoys, to sink or immobilize such units of the Royal Navy as would dispute its passage, and above all to drive the Royal Air Force from the sky. He, therefore, launched a series of air attacks, first on our shipping and ports and then our airdromes. There were four phases in the battle, the first from 8th-18th August, the second from the 19th August-5th September, the third from the 6th September-5th October. During this last phase daylight attacks gave way gradually to night raids which increased as the month went on. It should, however, be remembered that throughout the battle the enemy made use of night as well as day bombing, the first growing in volume and violence as the second fell away.

What was the plan he sought to carry through in these four phases? It is impossible to say with certainty at this moment. The German mind is very methodical and immensely painstaking. Schemes are worked out to the last detail; the organization is superb and, provided the calculations are correct, the plan goes without a hitch. But again and again history has shown that, if the original plan fails or becomes impracticable, the German has little power of improvisation, and "if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?" A brand new plan has to be worked out in full detail, and when this has been done it may well be too late. In this instance the Luftwaffe was designed to prepare the way for the German Army by smashing the enemy's resistance, and it was a fundamental assumption in Berlin that Germany could in every case establish and maintain air supremacy.

The general plan for the use of the Luftwaffe was to seize and exploit the full mastery of the air. This was the main feature in the Polish campaign, in the attacks on Norway, and the low countries, and even to a large extent in France. Aerodromes were to be put out of action, thus tying the opposing air force to the ground. Ports and communications could then be destroyed without hindrance, the military forces of the enemy paralyzed and the German Armored Divisions placed in a position to operate undisturbed. Success meant the destruction of civilian morale, and then internal disruption and surrender.

THE OFFENSIVE IS LAUNCHED



In the first stage the enemy sent over massed formations of bombers escorted by similar formations of single and twin-engined fighters. The bombers were for the most part Ju. 87's (dive bombers), with a smaller quantity of He. 111's, Do. 17's and Ju. 88's. The Fighter escorts flew in large, unwieldy formations, from 5,000-10,000 feet above the bombers, where the protection they afforded was not very effective. Using these tactical formations the enemy made twenty-six attacks during this first stage. He began by renewing his attacks on our shipping. It may well be that this was still regarded as the most vulnerable form of target and the easiest to attack, for not only are slow moving ships difficult to defend, but casualties to the pilots



of the defense are always higher when the action is fought over water. He may also have wished to test the strength of our general defenses. Success against these would auger well for the next stage. At any rate, on 8th August two convoys were fiercely attacked, one of them twice. Sixty enemy aircraft in the morning and more than a hundred soon after midday, deployed on a front of over twenty miles, tried to sink or disperse a convoy off the Isle of Wight. They succeeded in sinking two ships. In the afternoon at 4:15 more than a hundred and thirty appeared over another convoy off Bournemouth. This they were able to disperse, but they lost fairly heavy in doing so. The enemy renewed the assault three days later, choosing as his targets the towns of Portland and

Weymouth, as well as convoys in the Thames Estuary and off Harwich.

In these attacks he relied greatly on dive-bombers, which proved no match for our Hurricanes. Nevertheless some damage was done both in Portland and Weymouth. This may have encouraged him, for on 12th August, early in the morning, he launched about two hundred aircraft in eleven waves against Dover. Shortly before noon a hundred and fifty more of the enemy attacked Portsmouth and the Isle of Wight. By this time German losses were already considerable, for one hundred and eighty-two aircraft had been destroyed.

On the 13th and 15th the attacks on Portsmouth were renewed and in some of them, notably that which began soon after 5 in the afternoon of the 15th, between three and four hundred aircraft were employed. The enemy was by now beginning to realize that our Fighter Force was considerably stronger than he had imagined. It was evidently time to take drastic action. Our Fighters must be put out of commission. Therefore, while still maintaining his attacks on coastal towns, he sent large forces to deal with Fighter Aerodromes in the south and southeast of England; Dover, Deal, Hawking, Martlesham, Lympne, Middle Wallop, Kenly and Biggin Hill were heavily attacked, some of them many times. A number of the enemy penetrated as far as Croydon.

GERMAN LOSSES RUN INTO HUNDREDS OF AIRCRAFT

Once more the Luftwaffe did a certain amount of damage but at a cost which even Göring must have regarded as excessive. On that day, 15th August, a hundred and eighty German aircraft are known to have been destroyed. Since the opening of the battle he had now lost four hundred and seventy-two aircraft. Nevertheless he still returned to the charge, throwing in between five and six hundred aircraft on 16th August and about the same number on the 18th. Rochester, Kenley, Croydon, Biggin Hill, Mangston, West Malling, Gosport, Northolt, and Tangmere were the main targets. His losses were again very heavy. In those two days two hundred and forty-five aircraft were shot down. One of them, a Heinkel 111, fell to a sergeant pilot flying an unarmed Anson aircraft of the Training Command. Whether he intentionally rammed the enemy will never be known, for both aircraft fell to the ground inter-

locked and there were no survivors. On 18th August, in the evening attack on the Thames Estuary, one squadron alone of thirteen Hurricanes shot down, without a loss an equal number of the enemy in fifty minutes.

In the ten days since the opening of the attack on 8th August, Göring had now lost six hundred and ninety-seven aircraft. Our own losses during the same period were not light, for we lost one hundred and fifty-three. Sixty pilots were safe, though some of them were wounded.

The pace was too hot to last. Göring called a halt and gave his Luftwaffe a rest which lasted for five days.

What had he hoped to achieve? An examination of the attacks shows that he began by trying to destroy shipping and ports on the southeast and south coast between the North Foreland and Portland. This preliminary test must have shown him the strength of our defenses. Nevertheless, he proceeded with his plan and next directed his attention to Portland and Portsmouth. Whether these objectives were too tough for him or whether he thought that the four heavy attacks on them had accomplished his object, he turned away to deliver assaults on Fighter and Bomber aerodromes mostly near the coast. Throughout this first stage the tactics he followed were usually to open his attack on objectives near the coast in order to draw off our Fighters. These feint attacks were followed thirty or forty minutes later by the real attack delivered against ports or aerodromes on the south coast near Brighton and Portland.

The chief problem created by these tactics was to have a sufficient number of Fighters ready to engage the main attack as soon as it could be picked out. Squadrons at the forward aerodromes had to be in instant readiness, but had at the same time to be protected from bombing and machine gun attacks. Only on one occasion was a squadron machine gunned while refueling at a forward aerodrome, and this happened because a protective patrol had not been maintained overhead during the process.



Generally the enemy attacks were countered by using about half the available Squadrons to deal with the enemy fighters and the rest to attack the enemy bombers which flew normally at from 11,000-15,000 feet, descending frequently to 7,000 or 8,000 feet in order to drop their bombs. Our fighter tactics at this stage were to deliver attacks from the stern on the Me.109's and Me.110's. This type of attack proved effective because these aircraft were not then armoured. The success of our fighter tactics at this stage can be gauged by a comparison between our losses in pilots and those of the enemy. The ratio was about seven to one and might have been even more striking if so much of the fighting had not taken place over the sea.

THE ATTACK ON INLAND AERODROMES

Between the end of the first stage and active beginning of the second there was, as has been said, an interval of five days which were spent by the Germans in widespread reconnaissance by single aircraft, some of which indulged in the spasmodic bombing of aerodromes. These operations cost them thirty-nine aircraft shot down. Our losses were ten aircraft, but six pilots were saved.

During this lull, Göring evidently decided that a change of objectives was necessary. Perhaps he thought that he had achieved the necessary results, and that Portland and Portsmouth together with our coastal aerodromes were virtually out of action. Perhaps he was under the impression that inland aerodromes, factories and other industrial targets would not be as stoutly defended. It is more prob-

able, however, that he merely gave the order for the second part of the plan to be put into operation and disregarded the failure of the first part—either deliberately, or because he had no alternative. In this next stage diversionary attacks against different parts of the country became less frequent. The main attack was now delivered on a wider front. Enemy tactics were also changed. The number of escorting fighters was increased and the size of bomber formations reduced. The covering fighter screen flew at very great heights. Enemy bomber formations were also protected by a box of fighters, some of which flew slightly above and ahead, and yet others weaving in and out between the sub-formations of the bombers. This type of formation succeeded on several occasions in breaking through the forward screens of our fighter forces by sheer weight of numbers and in attaining their objectives even after numerous casualties had been inflicted. On other occasions smallish formations of enemy long-range bombers deliberately left their fighter escort as soon as it had joined battle and proceeded towards South or South-West London unaccompanied. They suffered heavy casualties when engaged by our rear rank of fighters.

Having thus altered his tactical formations the enemy proceeded to deliver some thirty-five major attacks between the 24th August and 5th September. His object, as has been said, was to put out of action inland fighter aerodromes and aircraft factories. He did not, however, disdain purely residential districts in Kent, the Thames Estuary and Essex. These could in no case be described as of military importance.

EIGHT HUNDRED AIRCRAFT ATTACK FIGHTER AERODROMES

From 24th to 29th August he still showed an interest in Portland, Dover and Manston, all of which were heavily attacked. He added other targets as well. Several areas in Essex came in for attention. There was fierce fighting over the North Foreland, Gravesend and Deal. At 6:45 p. m. on the 24th, a hundred and ten German bombers and fighters met a number of our Squadrons in the neighborhood of Maidstone, but turned and fled before they could be engaged.

The next day he returned to Portsmouth and Southampton where once again he achieved no success, the main attack, delivered at 4 p. m., going astray. A large number of bombs fell into the sea. Heavy assaults were also made in the Dover-Folkstone area, and over the Thames Estuary and in Kent. These continued with a lull of one day until 30th August. On that day and the next the assault was switched to inland fighter aerodromes. Eight hundred aircraft were used in a most determined effort to destroy or temporarily put out of use the aerodromes at Kenley, North Weald, Hornchurch, Debden, Lympne, Detling, Duxford, Northolt and Biggin Hill.

The opening of September showed little, if any, falling off in the assaults of the enemy. There were three heavy attacks on 1st September, five on 2nd, one on 3rd and two on 4th and 5th. One of the attacks on the 2nd got to within ten miles of London, but most of them were once again directed in this phase. They cost the Germans five hundred and sixty-two aircraft known to have been destroyed. Our own losses were two hundred and nineteen aircraft, but a hundred and thirty-two of their pilots were saved.

During these twelve days, our own tactical dispositions were altered so as to meet the changed form of attack. The effect of this was to cause the enemy to be met in greater strength and farther away from their inland objectives,

while such of his aircraft as were successful in eluding this forward defense were dealt with by Squadrons farther in the rear.

The heavy task of the defense can be realized by the fact that in these first two phases of this great battle from the 8th August to 5th September inclusive, no fewer than 4,523 Fighter Patrols of varying strength in aircraft were flown in daylight, an average of one hundred and fifty-six a day.

HURRICANES AND SPITFIRES STAY IN THE AIR

What did the enemy succeed in accomplishing in just under a month of heavy fighting during which he flung in squadron after squadron of the Luftwaffe without regard to the cost? His object, he it remembered, was to "ground" the Fighters of the Royal Air Force and to destroy so large a number of pilots and aircraft as to put it, temporarily, at least, out of action. As has already been made clear, the Germans, after their opening heavy attacks on convoys and on Portsmouth and Portland, concentrated on fighter aerodromes, first on, or near the coast, and then on those farther inland and thus put the fighting efficiency of the Fighter Squadrons to considerable strain, they failed entirely to put them out of action. The staff and ground services worked day and night, and the operations of our Fighting Squadrons were not in fact interrupted. By the 6th September the Germans either believed that they had achieved success and that it only remained for them to bomb a defenseless London until it surrendered, or, following their prearranged plan, they automatically switched their attack against the capital because the moment had come to do so.

Those days saw the climax of the first half of the battle. As they drew to a close, Göring's position became not unlike that of Marshal Ney at Waterloo, when at 4:30 in the afternoon he flung thirty-seven squadrons of Kellerman's Cuirassiers, backed by the Heavy Cavalry of the Guard against the hard-pressed British squares. Napoleon was unable to find the necessary support and Ney's effort was made in vain. Göring may perhaps have been in the same position though the attacks of the Luftwaffe continued to be pressed hard throughout September. It may be that Göring had made up his mind to attack targets more easily reached than were our fighter aerodromes. It may be that he was merely working to a time-table. It may be that he thought that our fighter defense was sufficiently weakened. What probably happened can be conveyed by a simple analogy. Imagine a game which involves knocking down a number of objects such as nine-pins or skittles, in so many turns. The player has worked out a detailed scheme for attacking these by stages. The first two or three shots, however, result in misses, and the prudent man would pause to reconsider his policy at this point. Can he pursue his scheme and still win, or must he abandon it and try another? But this player, Göring, is so certain of winning that he goes on without stopping to think whether or not the preliminary shots have been successful. Suddenly he realizes that, with only one or two turns left, he cannot possibly win on the lines of his prearranged scheme and he makes a desperate effort to knock down the whole set in the last few shots. This may be no more than a speculation. The facts are that on 7th September Göring switched his attack away from fighter aerodromes on to industrial and other targets, and he began by making London his main objective.

(Concluded next month)

WEST COAST



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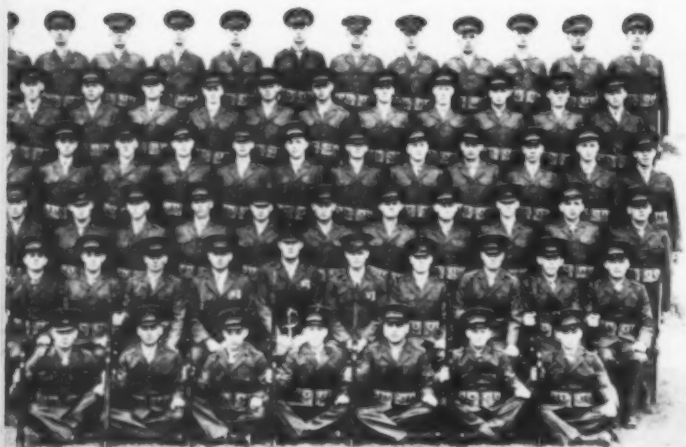
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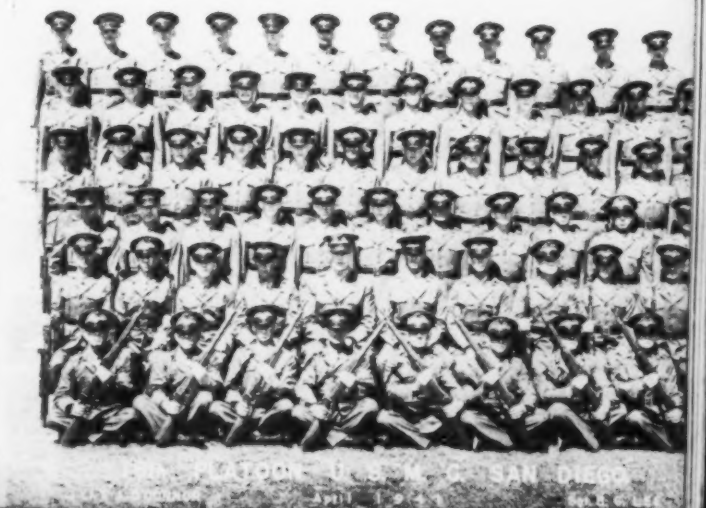
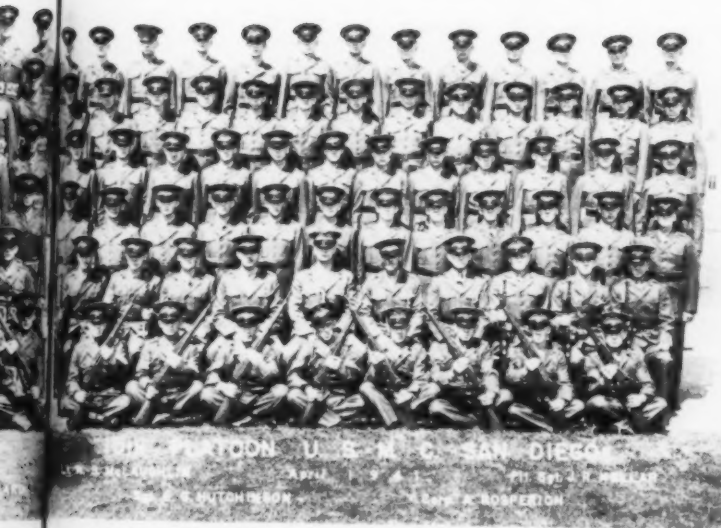
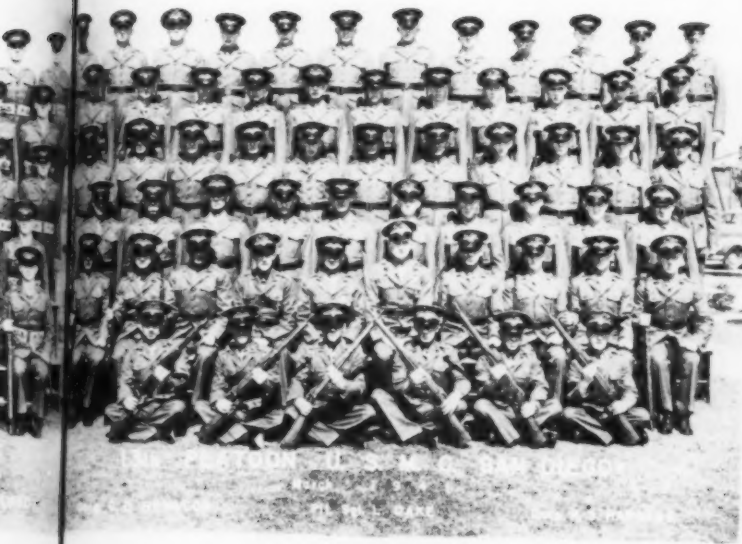
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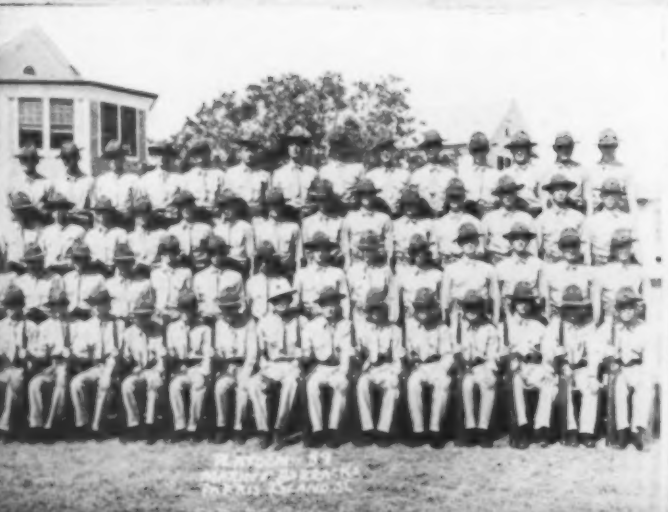
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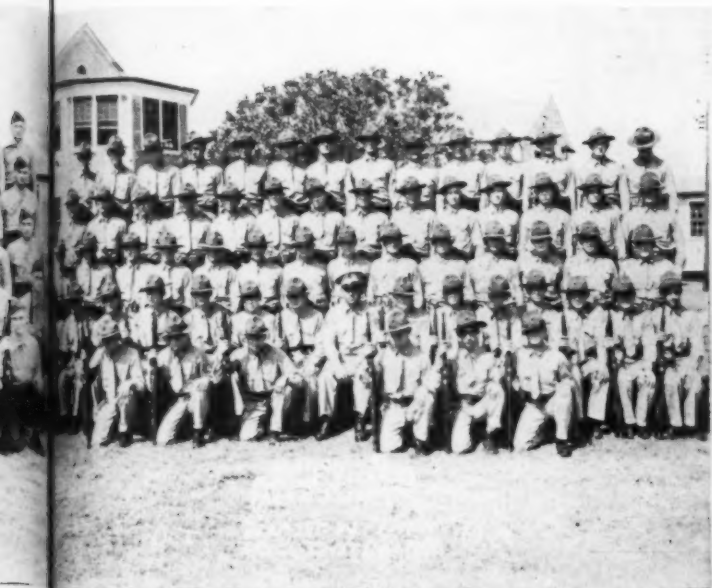
NEW COMERS



PARRIS ISLAND



RECRUITS





Skimmed from THE SCUTTLEBUTT

Teacher: "Let me hear you count."
Top Jr.: "One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, Jack, Queen, King."

Boot—"Boy, is there anything more exasperating than finding a hair in your soup!"

Old Salt—"Yeah. Finding soup in your hair."

Abbreviations are always followed by a period, except on the beach where they are followed by a crowd.

Then there was the time handsome Artie Klein of the 2nd Company M. P.'s dashed into the Whitehall Rest. "I want a couple of hardboiled eggs to take out!"

"O.K., sarge," smiled the new blonde behind the hash hanger, "come back at ten and me an' Pearle will be with you!"

The Marine Corporal, proud of his new set of blues, was standing in the railway station. A nice old lady saw him and made the obvious mistake.

"Here, boy!" she said, holding forth a battered suitcase.

"But, ma'am," protested the blushing Corporal, "I'm a Marine."

"That's all right," she answered, "I'll trust you anyway."

"How's business?"

"On the rocks."

"Too bad."

"No, no. I build lighthouses."

Beer is like the sun . . . it rises in the yeast and sets behind the vest.

Major: (at inspection) "Corporal Hash-Mark, your hat is too small for your head."

Cpl. H. M.: "Yes, Major. You see I was promoted to a sergeant this morning."

Dinner guest: "Will you pass the nuts, Professor?"

Professor, absent-mindedly: "Yes, I suppose so, but I really should flunk them."

A man walked, rather hesitatingly, into a haberdasher's shop. "I just lost a bet," he said, "and I want to get a soft hat."

The clerk selected a hat from the shelf behind him and handed it to the prospective purchaser with the remark: "This is the softest hat we have in stock."

The customer gazed at it speculatively. "What I want," he sighed, "is something a little more tender. You see, I've got to eat it!"

An English tar was arguing with a Yankee gob. "My great grandfather was a great man," said the Briton. "The King tapped him on the shoulder with a sword and made him a knight." "I can beat that," came back the Yank. "An Indian tapped my great-grandfather on the head with a tomahawk and made him an angel."

"How do you get down off an elephant?"

"You climb down."

"Wrong!"

"You take a ladder and get down."

"Wrong!"

"You grease his sides and slide down."

"Wrong!"

"Well, you take the trunk line down."

"No, not quite. You don't get down off an elephant; you get it off a goose."

Professor: "Give me a definition of jealousy."

Intellect: "It's a friendship between two girls."

Motorcycle Cop (after waving driver to the side of the road)—"Do you remember the last time I stopped you?"

Sweet Young Thing: "Yes, this time I think I'll take the ticket."

Alson: "Is my face dirty or is it my imagination?"

Elmer: "Your face isn't dirty; I don't know much about your imagination."

"It's so good of you doctor, to have come so far to see my husband."

"Not at all madam, not at all. I have a patient next door and I thought I'd kill two birds with one stone."

First She: "Oh, Gilbert has the most powerful pair of binoculars!"

Second She: "Has he? Good, I dearly love these strong, virile men."

Chief: "I was dreaming last night that I died and when I got to Heaven, St. Peter gave me some chalk and ordered me to climb a long ladder, writing one of my sins on each rung."

Gob: "Yeah?—Go on."

Chief: "Well, I gets up to about rung No. 4,999 when somebody stepped on my fingers, so I yelled and looked up."

Gob: "Well, who was it?"

Chief: "The skipper coming down for more chalk."

" and since you're a big boy now, Willy, I thought you should know that it isn't the stork. Have you any questions?"

"Yeah, there's something been bothering me a long time. I'd like to know how they make bricks?"

In the office of the prison warden a notorious crook was being divested of the contents of his pockets. As each article was removed, it was carefully examined, listed and then placed temporarily on a nearby desk. Among the articles was a badly tarnished silver dollar.

The prisoner pointed to the dull-looking coin and in a suppliant tone asked the warden:

"Would you mind letting me keep that with me?"

"Why?" asked the warden.

"Oh, just a little sentiment, I suppose," the prisoner explained. "You know, it's the first dollar I ever stole."

Judge: "Do you wish to challenge any member of the jury?"

Tar: "Well, I believe I can lick that little guy on the end!"

The young bride placed the turkey carefully on the table for the Christmas dinner. "This, my dear," she exclaimed, "is my first roast turkey."

"Marvelous, darling," he said, "and how wonderfully you've stuffed it!"

"Stuffed it?" she asked. "Why, dearest, this one wasn't hollow."

Gyngles of a Gyrene

TEAM WORK

It's all very well to have courage and skill
And it's fine to be counted a star,
But the single deed with its touch of thrill
Doesn't tell us the man you are;
For there's no lone hand in the game we
play,
We must work for a bigger scheme,
And the thing that counts in the world
today
Is, how do you pull with the team?

They may sound you praise and call you
great,
They may single you out for fame;
But you must work with your running
mate
Or you'll never win the game.
For never the work of life is done
By the man with a selfish dream,
For the battle is lost or the battle is won
By the spirit of the team.

You may think it fine to be praised for
skill,
But a greater thing to do
Is to set your mind and to set your will
On the goal that's just in view.
It's helping your fellow man to score
When his chances hopeless seem;
It's forgetting self till the game is o'er
And fighting for the team.

THE SURFMAN'S LAST BILLET

By Keith Jorgenson

The smell of the tide's in his blanket,
The salt of the sea's in his eye,
His feet are entangled with sea-weed,
He breathes with a rasping sigh.

He plods on his beat while on duty,
A time-clock clasped firm in his hand,
And carries on long conversations,
With no one to hear but the sand.

He questions himself,—then he answers,
He laughs at his jokes and his wit,
If he, with himself should argue,
He tears out his hair in a fit.

When his mind, if he's got one (it's doubt-
ful)
Goes blank (they all do as a rule)
They pack up his gear in his sea-bag—
And send him to radio school!!!

SOLDIERING IN PANAMA

By Pvt. Therma M. Walker

Down in the hellish sunshine
We men that God forgot
Battling malaria fever
The itch and tropical rot.

No one knows we are living,
And no one gives a damn,
Back home we are soon forgotten
Us soldiers of Uncle Sam.

We soldiers of foreign service,
Earning our meager pay;
Guarding Wall Street's millions
For seventy cents a day.

Down with the ebony niggers,
Down in the torrid zone;
Down by the Panama Canal
Three thousand miles from home.

And in the tropical moonlight
We sit on the canal bank and dream,
And kill our memories in Whiskey
Gorgona and Kentucky Cream.

Down to the city on pay-day,
To squander our meager pay;
We, the forgotten children of God,
Try to be happy and gay.

Back to the Post for another month
Gosh how time does drag.
With only enough dirty pennies,
To furnish a man with fags.

Into the brush with bolos
Down in the ditch with a pick,
Doing the work of a nigger,
And too damn dumb to kick.

At night the bugs keep us hopping;
It's more than a mortal can stand—
Hell no! We're not convicts—
We're soldiers of Uncle Sam!

For two years a man can stand it
Two years a man has missed.
Boys don't let the tropics get you
And for God's sake don't re-enlist.

(Note added by Ex-Marine)

Aw, dry up, Soldier, it's hard, but it's
fair—
You had a good home but you wouldn't
stay there!
Toss down your rifle, and grab up a rake—
You dog-faced doughboys,
Just ain't got what it takes!!!

—Bill Rowan.

WHAT I LOST AND FOUND TODAY

Lost somewhere, between sunrise and sun-
set,
Eleven golden hours, and in each was set
Sixty diamond studded minutes, that were
mine then, or never;
But no reward is offered; they are now
gone and lost forever.

Found today just before sunset,
One fleeting second I can't forget;
Two soft, pink lips blended with mine,
And a young slim body clinging to mine.

Found at last the girl that's mine,
A reason for living, a joy sublime;
For as we stood in bliss, she and I alone;
The Goddess of Passion appointed me her
guardian;
As the God of Love looked on.

DO IT NOW

Bamboo Breezes

If with pleasure you are viewing,
Any work a man is doing,
If you like him or love him,
Tell him now;
Don't withhold your approbation,
Till the parson makes oration
And he lies with snowy lilies
O'er his brow.

For no matter how you shout it,
He won't really care about it;
He won't know how many tear drops
You have shed.
If you think some praise is due him,
Now is the time to give it to him,
For he cannot read his tombstone
When he's dead.

More than fame and more than money,
Is the comment kind and sunny,
And a hearty, warm approval
Of a friend;
For it gives to life a savor,
And it makes you stronger, braver,
And it gives you heart and spirit
To the end.

If he earns your praise, bestow it;
If you like him, let him know it;
Let the word of true encouragement
Be said;
Do not wait till life's over
And he's underneath the clover,
For he cannot read his tombstone
When he's dead.

ATTENTION!!!

By Peter Pan

"To whom shall we tell it?"
"Tell it to the Marines!"
Is an oft' heard expression
That says what it means.

For as everyone knows
The Marines are the men
Who can take it and like it
Wherever and when.

They are smooth, yet they're snappy,
Alert, on their toes,
For wherever there's danger
The Leatherneck goes.

So bring on your troubles,
Your renowned family scenes,
And if things get too hot
Call the U. S. Marines.

THE GAZETTE

Total Strength Marine Corps on April 30.....	40,436
COMMISSIONED AND WARRANT —April 30	1,731
Separations during May	2
Appointments during May	1,729
	None
Total Strength (Comm. and Warr.) May 31.....	1,729
ENLISTED —Total Strength on April 30	38,705
Separations during May	543
Joinings during May	38,162
	1,289
Total Strength on May 31.....	39,451
Total Strength Marine Corps on May 31.....	41,280



THE U. S. MARINE CORPS COMMISSIONED

Maj. Gen. Thomas Holcomb, The Major General Commandant.
Brig. Gen. Edward A. Ostermann, The Adjutant and Inspector.
Brig. Gen. Seth Williams, The Quartermaster.
Brig. Gen. Russell B. Putnam, The Paymaster.
Officers last commissioned in the grades indicated:

Maj. Gen. William P. Upshur.
Brig. Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift.
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Lt. Col. Harry B. Liversedge.
Major Kenneth W. Benner.
Captain John E. Weber.
1st Lt. Freeman W. Williams.
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1st Lt. Freeman W. Williams.

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Corp. Leon B. Williams—to NYd Wash.
Sgt. Carl H. Larsen—to BAD-1.
Sgt. Chas. R. Kennedy—to Hingham.
Corp. John Quattrone—to 1st Mar Div.
Corp. Ewell R. White—to New London.
1st Sgt. Wm. J. Ferguson—to MB Quonset Pt.
Corp. Walter L. Huber—to BAD St. Thomas.
StfSgt. Andrew F. Marshall—to Pensacola.
1st Sgt. Daniel J. Donahoe—to Quantico.
StfSgt. Robert H. Fore—to Pensacola for FT.
StfSgt. Aubrey B. Jones—to Pensacola for FT.
Corp. Jos. M. Sullivan—to Lakehurst for PTT.
PlSgt. Raymond D. Mayer—to 1st Mar Div.
Corp. Henry A. Soboski—to Hingham.
Corp. Huber H. Johnson—to Quantico.
Sgt. Lindsay McC. Breland—to SRD.
Corp. Wm. C. Bartman—to NAD Balboa.
Corp. Jos. J. Seltys—to Boston.
Sgt. John V. Misinek—to 1st Mar Div PI.
Sgt. Kermit H. Alderman—to 1st Mar Div PI.
StfSgt. Harold D. Blosser—to 1st Mar Div PI.
StfSgt. Irving E. Pauly—to 1st Mar Div PI.
Corp. Edward B. Bush—to 1st Mar Div Quantico.
Corp. Thomas W. Miller—to 1st Mar Div Quantico.
SupSgt. Joseph R. Foster—to 1st Mar Div PI.
Sgt. Herbert J. Tudor—to 1st Mar Div PI.
Corp. Matha D. Clements—to 1st Mar Div PI.
Corp. Raymond J. Knight—to 1st Mar Div PI.
Corp. Calvin A. Leopold—to 1st Mar Div PI.
Corp. Richard M. Gist—to 1st Mar Div Quantico.
Sgt. Lucious L. Crosby—to 1st Mar Div PI.
Sgt. Albert L. Roughton, Jr.—to 1st Mar Div PI.
Corp. Bronie C. Stokus—to 1st Mar Div PI.
Corp. Eugene Williams—to 1st Mar. Div PI.
Corp. Franklin B. Snyder—to 1st Mar div PI.
Corp. Walter H. Woodward—to 1st Mar Div PI.

Corp. Robt. W. Folkes—to 1st Mar Div at Quantico.
StfSgt. George A. Goulette—to 1st Mar Div at Quantico.
ChCk. Albert W. Sue—to 1st Mar Div PI.
Sgt. Walter J. Connors—to 2nd Mar Div.
Sgt. Clarence L. Jerk—to Mar Corps Base San Diego.
Richard T. Cump—to Mar Corps Base San Diego.
TSgt. Robert A. McKeown—to MCB San Diego.
StfSgt. Wm. H. Meadors—to MCB San Diego.
QmSgt. Warren L. Granger—MB Wash. to Quantico.
QmSgt. Jesse J. Fowler—to MB Wash.
PlSgt. Julius Freedman—to 1st Mar Div.
SupSgt. Geo. C. Toth—to Marine Division PI.
Corp. Robt. L. Lockwood—to 1st MAG Quantico.
Corp. Lester H. Hairston—to USS "Barnett."
SgtMaj. Edward Bald—to MB. Quantico.
Corp. Wm. D. Wilson—to Mar Div PI.
StfSgt. John B. Cox—to NYd Wash. for NOS.
StfSgt. Lowell M. Witt—to 2nd MAG Pearl Harbor.
TSgt. Elmer R. Wirtz—to 2nd MAG Pearl Harbor.
StfSgt. Willard C. Collup—to 2nd MAG Pearl Harbor.
Sgt. Robt. O. Arthur—to 1st MAG Pearl Harbor.
StfSgt. Calvin R. Duke—to 1st MAG Quantico.
TSgt. Lowell M. Witt—to 2nd MAG Pearl Harbor.
Sgt. Glen G. Gardner—to 2nd MAG Pearl Harbor.
Sgt. Geo. W. Kreisheimer—to 2nd MAG Pearl Harbor.
SupSgt. John A. Clayton—to MD Bermuda.
StfSgt. Pharon C. Cooke—to 1st MAG Quantico.
Sgt. Lewis DeW. Minor—to San Diego.
PlSgt. Jos. C. Coveney—to USS "Arkansas."
PlSgt. Boyd Bushardt—to USS "Ranger."
Sgt. Charlie F. Spakes—to 1st Mar Div.
Corp. Gordon F. Ogilvie—to RD Springfield.
QmSgt. Morris E. Miller—to New River.
1st Sgt. Ronald J. Nourse—to Quonset Point.
11th PC.
Sgt. Wm. G. Parker—to Phila.
Sgt. Dennis Ward—to PI.
GySgt. Merle H. Johnson—to USS "Geo. F. Elliott."
StfSgt. Felix L. Ferranto—Boston to Quantico.
MTSgt. Zadik Collier—to BAD-1 Quantico.
MTSgt. Theo. A. Petras—to BAD-1 Quantico.
TSgt. Wayne Nati—to St. Thomas.
TSgt. By McLeroy—to St. Thomas.
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The following deaths have been reported to the Marine Corps Headquarters Casualty Section during the month of May, 1941:

BYFIELD, Delmer, Maj., USMC., retired, died 13 May 1941, at the U. S. Naval Hospital, San Diego, California. Next of kin: Mrs. Bessie E. Byfield, wife, 4949 Westminster Terrace, San Diego, California.

COLLAR, George Creighton, Capt., USMC., retired, died 3 April, 1941, at Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen H. Collar, wife, R.F.D. No. 3, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

BAIRD, Robert Miller, Stf. Sgt., USMC., died 20 May, 1941, at the U. S. Naval Hospital, San Diego, California. Next of kin: Dr. Robert C. Baird, father, Hockins Estate Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

CARLSON, George Charles, Pvt., USMC., died 12 May, 1941, at the Post Sick Quarters, MB, Quantico, Virginia. Next of kin: Mrs. Louise M. Carlson, mother, 11 Cloverly Street, Lynn, Massachusetts.

HOLMES, William Garard, Jr., Cpl., USMC., drowned 15 May, 1941, in New River, North Carolina. Next of kin: Mr. & Mrs. William G. Holmes, parents, R.F.D. No. 1, Woodland, Georgia.

SAFFRAN, Joseph Frank, Pfc., USMC., died 11 May, 1941, near Beaufort, South Carolina. Next of kin: Mr. & Mrs. Joseph W. Safran, parents, 2513 Hollins Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

STEPHENSON, Theodore Montgomery, M.Gy-Sgt., USMC., died 30 May, 1941, at Midway Island. Next of kin: Mr. John H. Stephenson, brother, Southern Pines, North Carolina.

WILSON, James Carson, III, Pvt., USMC., died 14 April, 1941, at Seattle, Washington. Next of kin: Mrs. Gladys Wilson, mother, 2809 "U" Street, Vancouver, Washington.


CHAPMAN, Edward Alexandri, Pfc., USMC., retired, died 22 March, 1941, at the Veterans Administration Facility, Los Angeles, California. Emergency address: Mr. William E. Harding, friend, 815 Brooklyn Avenue, Algiers, Louisiana.

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